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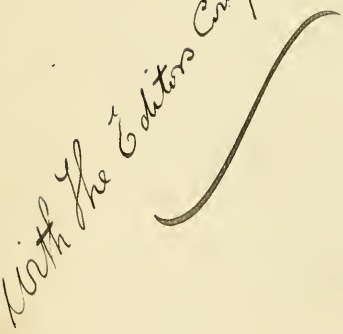
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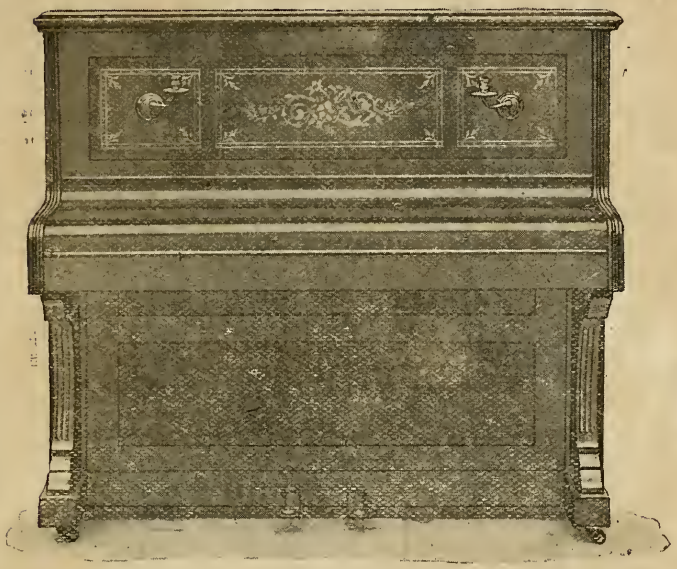
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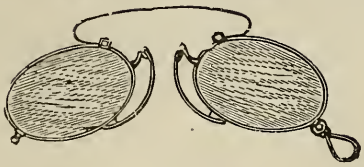
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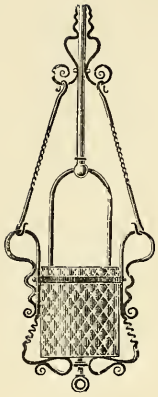
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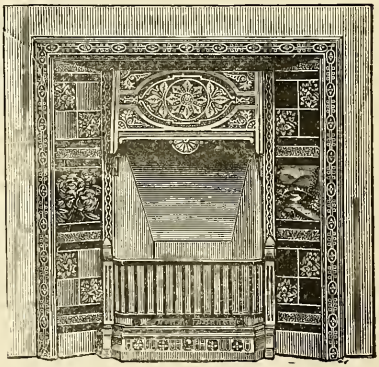
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W. NAISMITH.

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Preface to Second Edition.

There has been no issue of this Directory since 1894, while Motherwell has continued to progress steadily and rapidly, and many changes have taken place therein. By the kind permission of William Naismith, Esq., J.P., proprietor and publisher of the *Hamilton Advertiser*, who has generously surrendered his copyright in the Directory to the writer, a new issue is now published. It follows on the same lines as the First Edition—the information so carefully compiled there being revised, corrected, and brought up to date. When it is stated that the History of Dalziel and Motherwell is from the pen of our "Grand Old Man," the Rev. David Ogilvy, D.D., senior minister of Dalziel Free Church, no guarantee is required that it is well worth perusal. It only remains to be added that the proceeds derived from the sale of the Directory are all to go towards the funds being raised for the Victoria Young Men's Institute—the scheme of Motherwell in honour and commemoration of the Diamond Jubilee of Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria the Good.

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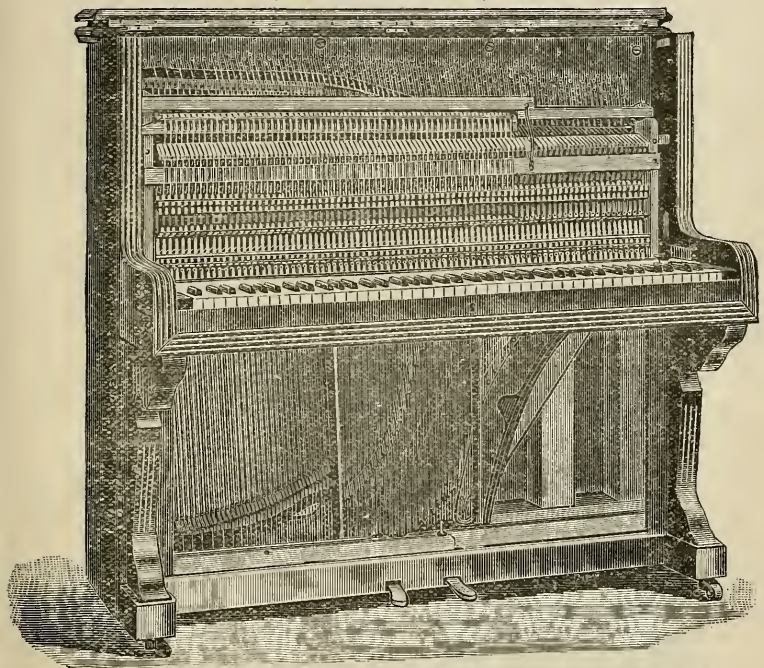
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HISTORY OF MOTHERWELL.

Part I.

PARISH OF DALZIEL.

GENERAL HISTORY.

A BRIEF account of the Parish of Dalziel will form an appropriate introduction and supplement to the story of the Burgh of Motherwell; for burghers, with the addition of civic privileges, continue still to be parishioners, and have a material interest in their parochial history and institutions.

The Parish of Dalziel is one of the smaller parishes of Scotland, four miles long and three broad. It forms an irregular triangle between the parishes of Hamilton, Bothwell, and Cambusnethan on the tongue of land which lies between the Clyde and Calder from their confluence at Bothwell Haugh on the west to the borders of Cambusnethan on the east.

Of this tongue of land before it was numbered among the parishes of Scotland we know only the interesting fact that it was once a part of the Roman Empire, the great Roman Road called Watling Street traversing it from Meadowhead on the east to the Roman Bridge over the Calder on the west on its way to its termination at the wall, which had been built between the Forth and Clyde as the boundary line between the Roman province and the barbarians in the north. The traces of this road in the upper part of the parish, which were once visible, have

been obliterated by the great changes that have taken place; but in the Burgh of Motherwell the Roman Road is kept as a street and right-of-way, and that part which leads from the town to the Roman Bridge has just been repaired by the Parish Council, so as to form a delightful walk to an interesting relic of antiquity. Two camps also—one on the Clyde, the other on the Calder—bear witness to the Roman occupation of the tongue of land which is now the Parish of Dalziel.

How or when it became the Parish of Dalziel we do not know. The division of Scotland into parishes, *i.e.*, districts assigned to particular churches, where the people could meet for public worship, is not recorded in its history. It was probably a gradual work as population and churches increased, but it was a work of great public utility. It was no doubt intended for the ecclesiastical purposes of the Church of Rome, but at the Reformation it was retained as equally applicable to the new state of things, and at the close of the nineteenth century has been used as the basis of the Local Government (Scotland) Acts, 1889 and 1894. But it was used in the last case, errors excepted. Finding that errors had occurred in the original delimitation of some of the parishes, a Boundary Commission was appointed to revise the original division and rectify mistakes. Dalziel was one of the parishes which profited by this arrangement. The original division was exceptional in its absurdity. Cunningair, a solitary croft on the Hamilton side of the Clyde, was attached to Dalziel, whilst part of the Braidhurst estate, in the heart of Dalziel, was attached to Hamilton; but worst of all, the rich lands of High and Low Motherwell, stretching across more than half the parish from the Clyde to the Cross of Motherwell, were detached from Dalziel and added to Hamilton—thus diverting the valuable teinds from a poor to a rich parish. Of course the principal complainers of this state of things were the parish ministers, but when the said lands came to be built upon, and a populous locality of one set of parishioners was found in the heart of another parish, the inconveniences were multiplied, and with them the complainers. The Commissioners of the Burgh of Motherwell

accordingly, and the Parish Council and School Board of Dalziel, united in petitioning for a readjustment of the parish boundaries, with the result that an order was issued by the Secretary of State for Scotland declaring that the Parish of Dalziel included the whole tongue of land between the Clyde and Calder, along with a portion of Bothwell parish on Jerviston Estate to the north of the Calder, containing the Cemetery and Jubilee Park, and part of the Burgh of Motherwell which had overflowed into Bothwell Parish, whilst Cunningair was relegated to Hamilton, which order took effect on 15th May, 1896. Thus only at the close of the nineteenth century has the wrong done to Dalziel as a parish at its formation been redressed.

The name given to the parish thus mutilated at its birth was Dalziel, after the barony of that name which existed within it and the lord of the manor, whose name was Dalziel too. The origin of the name thus common to the land and its possessor is accounted for in one of those legends which are so often met with in early Scottish history. In the ninth century, more than 1000 years ago, Kenneth II., who is regarded by many as the real founder of the kingdom of Scotland by his destruction of the Pictish power, in the course of war was informed that the Picts had captured and hanged on a gibbet a near and dear relative. In his grief and anxiety to recover the body of his friend, he offered a large reward to anyone who would cut it down and bring it to him. For a time no one would dare to do such a dangerous deed ; but at length a valiant Scot came forward and said to the King in old Scots, "Dal zell" (I dare), and successfully performed the feat, taking the gibbet and words as his arms and name, which were afterwards borne by his descendants, the Dalziels of Dalziel, or of that Ilk. From this it is not unreasonably inferred that the lands of Dalzell (as the name of the manor is now spelt, while the parish remains Dalziel, both pronounced De'ell) formed part of the reward bestowed by King Kenneth on the first of the family, who would in time build a church for his vassals, and thus pave the way for the parish, of which the church

was the principal feature. As the old church is supposed to have been built about the same time as Glasgow Cathedral (1139-1192), Dalziel has been a parish for the same time at least.

The history of the parish of Dalziel during this time consists mainly of what is recorded about its nobility and clergy, which, in early times, is not very much.

DALZIEL AND ITS LAIRDS.

The Dalzells appear to have held the barony without interruption for 500 years from the reign of King Kenneth about 843 till 1343, in the reign of David II., who took the barony from Sir Robert Dalzell for abiding in England without the King's consent. For fifty-two years after that, the family of Dalzell had only a nominal connection with the barony, which changed hands several times in the interval, but at last was restored to them by royal charter in 1395, and was held by them till 1647, when the then laird, who had been created Earl of Carnwath, sold the barony of Dalzell to James Hamilton of Boggs, thus ending the connection which had subsisted for 800 years between the barony of Dalziel and its first series of lairds, the Dalzells of that Ilk.

James Hamilton of Boggs, a small estate near Bothwell, was the first of a new series of lairds—the Hamiltons of Dalziel, represented at present by Lord Hamilton of Dalzell. He was descended from the Dalzells of that Ilk through his mother, Christian Dalziel, wife of John Hamilton, fourth laird of Orbiston, and, through his father, was of the same stock as the ancestors of the present ducal house of Hamilton. Sir James Hamilton, fifth Lord of Cadzow, had three sons—James, Alexander, and Gavin. Gavin's son, John, acquired the estate of Orbiston in 1468, and it is from him that James Hamilton of Dalzell and his successors have sprung. They were a decided improvement on the Dalzells of that Ilk, who left the parish, after 800 years' residence, with nothing to remind future generations of parishioners of their existence but the old Peel Tower or Castle, which was their dwelling-place, and

still stands in the centre of Dalzell House, skilfully altered and fitted for the requirements of a modern residence. A great pile of masonry it is, with walls 8 feet thick and 50 feet high, but a more uncomfortable dwelling can scarcely be conceived. The old church, which was one of the smallest and poorest in the country, may be regarded as another relic of the Dalzells. It stood beside the old kirkyard near the Clyde—a plain Gothic building, believed to be as old as Glasgow Cathedral. When it was taken down in 1798 to get stones for making an addition to the old manse beside it, the masons found it as easy to break the stones as the mortar in which they were imbedded. The baptismal font was for years used as a pig's trough, but may now be seen beneath the grey yew in front of Dalzell House. The manse or vicarage itself may be quoted as an example of what the Dalzells reckoned sufficient for the representative of the Church. It consisted of a but and a ben, with fewer conveniences than the house of a modern labourer. If we subtract from the parish at that time the improvements which the Hamiltons afterwards made, Dalziel must have been a bare, uninteresting tongue of land with few inhabitants, and these living in practically a savage state, grossly ignorant and ill-used. The barons lorded it over them, and when they held their court at Crosstone, near Dalziel Public School, could condemn them to the dungeon or the gallows. The Church too had civil power, which it used, along with superstitious terrors, to keep them in abject subjection to its spiritual tyranny. But by the time James Hamilton came into possession of Dalzell in 1647, a great change had come over Scotland. Both the first Reformation from Popery and the second from Prelacy had come to it. Presbyterianism had occupied almost all the parishes of the land, and a new and better spirit was abroad among the people, both high and low. When James Hamilton came to the parish, Presbyterian service had been held in the church for 80 years, at first by three readers and then by four ordained ministers —the fourth of whom, Mr Robert Mayne, was a man of means, for we find him giving 20 merks for the erection of the library of Glasgow University, and also a man of more

than ordinary ability, who had organised his congregation according to Presbyterian polity. He must have had a considerable congregation, for the kirk session contained six elders, to which the laird himself became a seventh, and rendered good service as Presbytery elder in trying to get assistance to the now aged pastor. Mr Mayne was also the first to keep records of session, which he began in 1644—a practice to which our readers are indebted for the following sederunt, at which Mr Hamilton's name first appears:—"22nd August, 1647.—The qlk day sederunt James Hamilton of Boigs, James Dalzell, Alexander King, Wm. Thomson, Jon Mackie, Arthur Bruce, Arthur Miller, James Cullen"—names with which we seem to be familiar as parishioners of Dalziel still. To the session records thus begun, our readers are also indebted for most of the information henceforth recorded about the parochial affairs of Dalziel up till the time when they begin to be transacted by public boards and reported by gentlemen of the press. The new laird also showed himself to be a man of refined taste by providing himself with a more comfortable and elegant mansion than the old Peel of the Dalzells, which he did by attaching to it on its south-west side a fine specimen of an old baronial residence bearing the date 1649. The first Hamilton of Dalzell died in 1668.

Alexander, the second Hamilton of Dalzell, succeeded, and was likewise a good laird. He, too, became an elder in 1673 of the kirk, on which evil days had now come, and took an active part in promoting the welfare of the parish. He died in 1692.

James was the third Hamilton of Dalzell, and succeeded on the death of his cousin to the estate of Orbiston also. In 1797, Alexander Adamson, the first minister ordained after the Revolution, got a new session book, and the first thing inserted was a census of the people, which it may be interesting to read in 1899. Dalzell House, then called Place, had 17 inhabitants; Baron's Mains, two houses, with 5 persons in the one and 3 in the other; Cunningair, 5 inhabitants; in "Dalzell, Motherwell" were four houses with 22 persons; in Windmilnehill, four houses. Flemington, at that time, seems to have been the only village

having eleven houses and 30 inhabitants. Craigneuk had one house and one inhabitant, called Elizabeth Weir. The laird seems to have had a town house in Edinburgh, where he stayed a good deal, superintending the education of his family, of whom his eldest son, Archibald, was being trained to be an advocate. Whilst there, his wife, Margaret Hamilton, died, deeply regretted by him; and two years after, his daughter Bethia followed and was laid beside her. In 1709 he erected a monument to both in Old Greyfriars Churchyard. He took a great interest in parochial affairs, and spent much on both church and school, for which the session were evidently grateful. In a note to a session minute it is recorded "that there was remitted to James Hamilton, Dalzell, one hundred and fortie pounds, in consideration of the great expense he had been at in building the west gavel of kirk, and building a convenient scool, with a house and yeard for the masster." In 1718, the west gavel of the old church had become ruinous, and was rebuilt, when there was found in the foundation a handsome stone coffin, plainly carved, and large enough for the body of a full-grown man, with the upper part of the stone hollowed out, so as to suit the shape of the head and neck. But it was empty, and it is not known for whom it was intended. It may still be seen placed against the wall of the old churchyard.

FIRST PAROCHIAL SCHOOL.

The school and schoolhouse referred to above were the first provided by the heritors for the parish, according to the Act of 1696 for Settling of Schools, which made the maintenance in every parish of a school an absolute rent charge on the land, and the schoolmaster's salary an established pecuniary claim of not less than 100 merks (£5 10s), nor more than 200 merks (£11). It was in accordance with this Act, though somewhat dilatory, for there had not been a schoolmaster in the parish for twenty years, that the school and schoolhouse were built about the same time as the west gavel of the kirk, chiefly at Mr Hamilton's expense. They were situated at Knowetop, and

were doubtless viewed with admiration in those days. The master's house is described as a low thatched cottage of two rooms, called the *but* and the *ben*. The school was attached to it, there being a door of communication between them. The bare rafters rose above the scholars' heads, and the inner part of the thatch was visible. The floor was a cold, damp compound of muddled clay. We should think it a miserable hovel now-a-days, but the parishioners of Dalziel were proud at that time of their new schoolhouse and school, and, as we have seen, grateful for them. To us even, they are interesting, as the germ which, in a different environment, has evolved into the educational palaces which now stud the parish of Dalziel. It is pleasing, also, to note the kinship of parochial spirit between the laird of Dalzell who erected the first parish school under the Act of 1696, and the present laird of Dalzell, who erected the last school under that Act, and on its proving insufficient for the parish, gave himself to carry out the new Education Act, which changed circumstances required. Besides the improvement of church and school, James Hamilton began the improvement of his own estate by planting trees, which was carried out by his son, Archibald, to such an extent. In 1721, he gave directions for the planting of the trees along the banks of the Clyde, which extend in two rows for nearly a mile, and form an avenue not surpassed by anything of the kind in Scotland.

Archibald, the fourth Hamilton of Dalzell, during a long life, left his mark in the parish more than any other. He was the beautifier of its appearance, by covering and adorning its hitherto sterile and naked surface with extensive forests, which comprised all manner of trees known in this country, each of them adapted to its proper situation and exposure. He thereby greatly increased the fertility and value of his estate, which in a short time became an object of admiration to all beholders. He had the pleasure of having his drawing-room furniture made out of his own wood. Besides planting 150 acres with forest trees, he planted 20 with fruit trees, the produce of which came to yield from £100 to £167. He likewise promoted improvements in agriculture by cherishing the industry of his

tenants. He enclosed the fields with hedges, and sheltered them with planting, and the peasantry, finding that their industry tended as much to their own advantage as to that of their landlord, profited by every lesson and example. The result was that the value of the estate rose nearly five times the yearly rent which it yielded when he succeeded to it; and, at the same time, the condition of the tenants, with their moderate farms and plain manner of life, was perhaps as happy as any to be met with. The parish was indebted to him for another improvement. All along the highways he gave leases and feus of spots of little value for building, on which, according to the Rev. Robert Clason, writing after his death, "There are now fifty handsome cottages erected, filled with industrious inhabitants, having neat little kitchen gardens around them, by which he not only improved and beautified his own estate, but set an example which has since been followed by others." He was also an antiquarian and man of taste. He took great interest in the remains of the Roman camp on the top of a steep bank near the Clyde. He cleared out parts of the ditches around, in which cinders of the Roman forges were found, and to perpetuate the memory of the camp, he built a summer-house with a bartisan and flat roof on the top of it. He cleared the steep bank between it and the river of furze and briers, cut wooded walks along, built an alcove or bower overlooking the river, with an inscription from Koran. The scene is one of the finest in the district, and the modern visitor to the banks of the Clyde has to thank Archibald Hamilton for much comfort in its enjoyment. No wonder that at his death in 1774 there was universal grief and mourning in the parish. If the man is a benefactor to his country who makes two blades of grass to grow instead of one, Archibald Hamilton was a veritable benefactor to Dalziel. When quite a young man, he was chosen to be an elder of the kirk, but as his profession kept him most of his time in Edinburgh, his name does not often appear in sederunts of session.

James, the fifth Hamilton of Dalzell, carried on his father's good work, planting trees, cultivating orchards, and doing all he could to promote the amenity of his estate.

One specially good thing he did to the parish in 1786 by presenting the vacant living to Rev. Robert Clason, who was then rector of the Grammar School in Hamilton. Mr Clason was an active, energetic man of refined taste and more than ordinary ability, which doubtless led to his being elected clerk to the Synod of Glasgow, which office he held till he was translated to Logie, his native parish, in 1801. His educational ability was evidenced, and his scanty living of less that £50 supplemented by his being entrusted with the education of several young men of good families, who afterwards did him credit in the world, such as Sheriff Marshall, afterwards of Grecnock, Alex. Marjoribanks of Marjoribanks, Dean Morehead of Edinburgh, and others. Of these, the Dean has given us an account of his early days in Dalziel Manse, which is very interesting. Among other things, Mr Clason used his musical taste and educational power in improving the singing in the church, which had become a bye-word in the country—any unmusical sound, like children crying, being compared to Dalziel Psalms. He got masters to teach the young connected with the church, and then drilled them himself in the church once a week, with the result that in a short time from being one of the worst it became one of the best singing congregations in the district. But Mr Clason's own contribution to the history of Dalziel is most important. When Sir John Sinclair in 1790 invited the parish ministers of Scotland to write an account of their respective parishes for publication in 'The Statistical Account of Scotland,' Mr Clason accepted the invitation, and gave an account of Dalziel in 1791, which along with a similar account in 1836 by his son, Mr James Clason, brings up our knowledge of Dalziel to the beginning of a new era, which has changed the whole aspect of Dalziel from a scene of rural beauty and quiet to one of the busiest centres of human activity. It is interesting to read of the Dalziel in which Mr Clason lived and moved at the end of last century, and to contrast it mentally with the Dalziel of 1899. The minister's stipend was nearly £50, with manse, garden, orchard (sometimes as valuable as all the rest), and glebe of five or six acres. The schoolmaster's salary was the

lowest legal one (£5 10s), with house and garden. The houses were 78 in number, inhabited by 478 souls, of whom 23 were farmers, 30 adult male farm servants, 34 sundry tradesmen, and 1 retailer of liquor, whilst 42 were weavers of fine and coarse fabrics. All the women were formerly engaged in spinning fine yarn, but of late the young girls had taken to tambouring as more profitable. The houses were not collected into a village, but stood detached along the road, except in two places where there were clusters near together which might be called villages, with 15 houses in one and 12 in the other (probably Motherwell and Windmillhill)."

The Laird also, in addition to orchards and gardens, had a salmon fishing on the Clyde, only for family use; but when there was a good catch he would send round his cart to his friends and neighbours with the superfluous fish.

"The people," says Mr Clason, with pardonable pride in his parishioners, "in general are quiet, orderly, and industrious, there being no instance of any of them being convicted of crimes, or even of one inhabitant having recourse to the degrading practise of begging. Claims on the public charity are not numerous. At present they are greater than common, there being three infirm people upon the parish, but these are supported by the collections at the church door, and without any assessment."

NEW PARISH CHURCH.

Besides writing history of past times, Mr Clason and the heritors, headed by Laird James, made a little history on their own account by building a new Parish Church in place of the old Gothic Church, which had served both the R.C. and Presbyterian Church for hundreds of years, but which was now ruinous. The site selected was the site of the present South Dalziel Parish Church, the front of which represents the old Parish Church, which was reckoned a great affair by Mr Clason, who says of it: "It is a handsome edifice with a fine spire, and being placed near the centre of the parish upon the summit of the ridge is seen at a good distance, and makes an agreeable object."

But like the old Peel in Dalzell House it was deficient in comfort. It was unfloored, the people having to sit with their feet on cold, damp clay. Yet for nearly half a century it was unfloored. The Rev. James Clason in 1836 assigned as the reason for his attendance being smaller in winter than in summer that it was the coldest church perhaps in Scotland. It was only after 1844 that it was floored with wood, and thereby made more comfortable. It was seated for 370 worshippers, but since then has been repeatedly enlarged and improved as the South Parish Church (quoad sacra)—a new Parish Church having been erected in 1873-4 in Merry Street, Motherwell, which since then has been enlarged also.

In 1801, Mr Clason was translated to Logie; and the same year the first Government census was taken, which showed the population to be 611, or an increase of 133 over that taken in 1791 by Mr Clason himself.

In 1802, Alexander Paterson (who, with his father, had successively occupied the schoolhouse since its erection in 1727) died, and for his successor a new school and house were built at Knowetop, which continued to be the school and schoolhouse of the parish till 1861. In the autumn of 1807, a great flood caused the Clyde to overflow its banks, to the great loss of the tenant of the Haughs, and the laird was induced to embank the river and alter the course of Dalzell Burn, which formerly flowed beneath the old kirk, along the upper side of what is now Dalzell Gardens, and entered the Clyde opposite the site of Carshogle Farm. It was diverted in a southerly direction, so as to enter the Clyde about a mile farther up the river, near the south side of the Gardens. In 1811, the second Government census was taken, showing the number of inhabitants to be 758—an increase since 1801 of 147. On 6th December, 1812, James, fifth Hamilton of Dalzell, died, aged 81, and unmarried.

John, his brother, was the sixth Hamilton of Dalzell. He was a General in the army, and was familiarly called "The General." He was 73 years of age when he became laird, but he lived 22 years longer till the beginning of 1834. His eldest son, Archibald James Hamilton, was

born in 1793, and entered the army in early life, serving in the 4th Dragoons during the Peninsular War, and in the Scots Greys at the Battle of Waterloo. On returning after the peace, he managed the estates for his father, and was styled Archibald James Hamilton, younger of Dalzell, Commissioner for General John Hamilton of Dalzell and Orbiston. Under this title we find him granting a tack of 3 roods 1 pole for 999 years from Martinmas, 1815, to James King, mason at Motherwell. Similar grants at cheap rates account for the increase of population during that period without public works. They were chiefly for weavers who had working machinery in their own houses, and to whom a cheap house and garden on a country road was better than a house in town. A census was twice taken during this double management—the first in 1821, when the inhabitants numbered 955, an increase of 197 over 1811; the second in 1831, when they numbered 1180, an increase of 225. In 1820, Motherwell Inn was built where it still stands—perhaps the first two-storey building in Motherwell, where most of the increase took place. About 1822, the Gardens of Dalzell, which had been for long near the manor-house, were removed to their present position near the Clyde; and the minister—now the Rev. James Clason, son of the minister of Logie—having demanded a new manse in place of the inconvenient and old-fashioned building which had hitherto housed the ministers of Dalziel, one was erected in 1827 on the old glebe, at the instance of the minister supported by the Presbytery, instead of a site near the church with a larger glebe, as the laird and other heritors wanted.

NEW BABYLON.

Meanwhile the young laird was engaged in another and more serious undertaking. Robert Owen, of Socialistic notoriety, had been for years promulgating his "new views of society," based on the idea that "man is the creature of the circumstances by which he is surrounded," and that a society with a community of interests, and a proper training for their children, would become all that a community should

be. Extravagant and unworkable as his theories were, he secured a number of followers, and his eloquence and enthusiasm gained him the sympathies of several philanthropic gentlemen, among whom was Archibald James Hamilton, younger of Dalzell and Orbiston. Owen founded three social communities at Romney, in America; Orbiston, in Scotland; and Harmony Hall, in England. There is no doubt he was encouraged to select Orbiston as the site of one by the generous manner in which the scheme was received by the young Laird. Not only did Mr Hamilton place the necessary land at Owen's disposal; he rendered substantial aid towards erecting the buildings, which were begun in 1825, and consisted of a great four-storey structure of stone, with a centre, left centre and left wing, right centre and right wing. About a fourth of it was erected, and adherents flocked in, but, like the rest of Owen's attempts, it turned out a complete failure. It exercised no beneficial influence, religiously, morally, or socially, on the inmates, who numbered about 60 adults and 120 children. Financial difficulties at last put an end to it, and made it necessary to dispose of the property, to the serious loss of Mr Hamilton, who received no payment for the land he had conveyed to the establishment, and on whose credit the funds necessary for the erection of the buildings were procured. They had cost £12,000, and were sold for £2000, taken down, and the materials used for building houses in the neighbouring villages; so that of this "New Babylon," as it was called, as of Babylon of old, no stone is left standing on another. The worst result was that it led soon afterwards to the passing of the Orbiston Estate out of the Hamilton family, in whose possession it had been since 1468.

LORD HAMILTON.

But on 16th November, 1829, an event occurred which, if he had known its issues as we know them, might have partly consoled Archibald James, younger of Dalzell, for the loss which his generosity had entailed on him and his family. On that day, Ellinor, daughter

of Daniel Hamilton of Gilkerscleuch, brought into the world and his house a still younger Hamilton of Dalzell, who was to be as popular and as much beloved by the people of Dalziel as any of his ancestors, and to have more honours and distinctions bestowed on him than any of them. There were now three Hamiltons of Dalzell in the same manor-house — grandfather, General John ; his son, Archibald James ; and his grandson, John Glencairn Carter Hamilton. But their cohabitation did not last long. Archibald James died on 11th January, 1834, aged 43, and his father on 9th February of the same year, aged 95, leaving his grandson, John Glencairn, laird of Dalzell, when five years of age.

John Glencairn Carter, seventh Laird and first Lord Hamilton of Dalzell was a minor when he succeeded to the estate, and sixteen years had to pass ere he personally could enter on the management of it. During that interregnum little change took place on the estate of Dalzell or the other estates that composed the parish. New feus were neither wanted nor granted, and up to the opening of the Caledonian Railway in 1848 and the formation of a very important station at Motherwell Junction any building that took place was either on old feus or to enlarge old houses.

DALZIEL SIXTY YEARS AGO.

The parish minister, the Rev. James Clason, son of the Rev. Robert Clason, who wrote an account of Dalziel for Sir John Sinclair's "Statistical Account of Scotland," wrote a similar account of it in 1836 for the "New Statistical Account," which enables us to realise the state of Dalziel about sixty years ago. In 1791 the population was 478 ; in 1831, 1180—an increase of 702. In 1791 the number of paupers was greater than usual, there being three infirm persons on the parish, who were supported entirely by church collections, without recourse to an assessment. In 1831 the average number of poor was 14, with an average allowance to each of 6s (monthly it may be presumed) ; but an assessment required to be made for it, the average yearly amount of which was £50. "This,"

says Mr Clason, "has had the effect here, as I believe everywhere, of diminishing that feeling of independence and reluctance to ask or to receive parochial aid which was formerly so characteristic of the people of Scotland." What would the good man have said of our proposed old-age pensions? Under the old system a man receiving aid from the Kirk Session was commonly called a pensioner. In 1791 there was one retailer of intoxicating liquor. In 1836 Mr Clason says: "There are four public houses, which have a most injurious effect upon the morals of the people, and in increasing poverty and disease. Licenses are too easily obtained, and no care is taken to grant no more than what are absolutely required. There is no police as in cities to maintain and enforce regularity upon the keepers of such houses. The subject calls loudly for the serious attention of the legislature, and of all who are concerned for the best interests of their country."

In 1836 there was only one coal pit at work, No. 1 or Engine Pit, near Coursington, for whose workers a solitary row of miners' houses was subsequently erected on the road leading off Merry Street to Coursington Farm, called Dalziel Row (now Dalziel Street). But coal was cheap, only 2s 6d a ton at the hill, and was drawn to the houses by horses or donkeys. "The donkey carts," says Mr Clason, "of which there are five now employed, are of great service to the people."

There was only one church in the parish—even the church erected in Mr Robert Clason's time at Windmill-hill, and in which his son now ministered. But that did not mean that all the church-going people attended it. Whilst Mr Robert Clason does not mention any dissenters at all in 1791, his son says that the persons of all ages belonging to the Established Church were in 1836 717, and the communicants 175, but there were 513 belonging to other denominations who attended various places of worship in Hamilton, Bellshill, Newarthill, and Wishaw, where Secession and Relief Churches were to be found within walking distance. This increase of dissent in Dalziel is not to be accounted for as in other parishes by a forced settlement or want of evangelical preaching, nor by the coldness

of the unfloored church of which the minister complained as affecting the attendance in winter, but by the simple fact that the increase of population in the parish included many who came from the surrounding parishes and continued to attend the churches with which they had been connected. It was otherwise with schools. There was only in 1791 the Parochial School at Knowetop. In 1836 there were three—the same Parochial School, now taught by Mr Brackenridge, with the maximum salary of £34 4s 4d, and two adventure schools, one in King's land at the Cross, taught by Mr Thomson, and another taught by a woman, whose name and locality is not recorded. There were three villages or rows of cottages connected or detached, built on the roadside, and almost always on one side. Motherwell, with the exception of Motherwell Inn, which was on the estate of Dalzell proper, and a few houses on the Hamilton corners of the Cross, was built entirely on the Braidhurst estate, which had passed into the hands of a new proprietor. It consisted of two rows, running from the Cross along the west side of Muir Street to Parkneuk in one direction, and along the north side of Merry Street to Moleskin Row in another, like two sides of an angle, with its apex at the Cross. Mr Clason reckoned its population to be about 600, but in 1841, when the whole population amounted to 1457, about one half of it, 726, mostly weavers, were in the village of Motherwell. Windmillhill, again, was on the estate of Dalzell proper—a row of houses on the east side of the Wishaw road, towards the church, with flower gardens in front and fruit gardens behind, and commanding a fine view of the valley of the Clyde, and was in its best days a pleasant scene to the passer-by. Craigneuk was on the same estate and road. It is now part of the Burgh of Wishaw, and promising to become the most important part of it in population and public works, though in the parish of Dalzell, but it was then only a farmhouse which gave its name to a few cottages on the west side of the Wishaw road.

But Dalziel parish was less than it is now. It did not include the lands of High and Low Motherwell, extend-

ing from the Cross to the Clyde, which belonged to the Duke of Hamilton—the Duke who built the Mausoleum. He was a rather conservative nobleman, who disliked the advent of the railway, wanted no more houses or coalpits near his policies, and surrounded his estate on the Dalzell side of the Clyde with a cordon of fir plantations, which extended from Crosstone, along the west side of Brandon and Muir Streets, on to Holm Forge on the Calder. There was thus two Motherwells on different sides of the road and on different estates—Hamilton Motherwell and Dalziel Motherwell. Hamilton Motherwell was no doubt the first of the name, for it was on it that the famous well, called after the Virgin Mary, had bubbled up by the side of what is still called the Ladywell Road for unknown ages, and gave refreshing draughts in old time to hosts of pilgrims, and in later days, as many still remember, to the inhabitants of the village which had grown up near by. It is now dry, but had given the name of Motherwell to the two farms in its vicinity and the cluster of houses built on them at the Cross, and thus to the whole village that grew up around on both sides of the road—those on the one side being called Dalziel and those on the other Hamilton Motherwell. The parochial distinction came to an end on 15th May, 1896, when Hamilton Motherwell, with thousands of inhabitants, was added to Dalziel parish. How different then from fifty years before, when it was entirely farmland, with a background of wood and few inhabitants. Except at the Cross and Crosstone, and Tirlees, there were no houses but the two farmhouses amid their fields, and a small inn and forester's cottage on the road to Hamilton. It was altogether a beautiful rural scene, Hamilton Motherwell, with its plantation of firs lining the west side of Brandon and Muir Streets, and gave to Dalziel Motherwell on the other side a peculiar aspect of rurality too.

DISRUPTION.

Such was the parish of Dalziel, as its parish minister saw and described it sixty years ago. It was a truly rural parish, sprinkled with houses on its roadsides, in most of

which weaving and tambouring were carried on. Weavers, by working long hours with their fruitful gardens, could make fairly good wages, and lived in comfort in a plain way. There was no public authority in any part of the parish, unless Mr Jas. King, who owned most of the house property in Motherwell, might in consequence be reckoned such. There was no policeman, no lawyer, no banker, no postmaster—the letters being delivered from Hamilton—no bookseller, and few shopkeepers. Complaint was made by some that they sold things too dear, and they dealt with Hamilton. It was indeed a poor parish, with little spare cash for luxuries or charity. Thus things went on quietly for a number of years without much change. But by and by changes came in succession. The first was an ecclesiastical change in 1843, when the one church which had hitherto been in the parish burst into two at what is so well known in Scotland as the Disruption. Mr Clason, like his popular predecessor, Dr. William A. Thomson (then of Perth), were among those who found they could not carry out the principles of the Church of Scotland as embodied in her standards under the conditions recently laid down by the Court of Session, and homologated by Parliament, and therefore demitted their charges, and joined in forming the Free Church of Scotland. The parish minister and parish historian of Dalziel did a bit of history himself, when he gave up his living, which, since 1810, had been raised by Exchequer grant from nearly £50 to £150, and the beautiful manse which the heritors had built for him on the glebe (which, with its orchards, was about as valuable as the living itself), and the church in which he and his father had ministered so long, and went forth to seek in Hamilton what he could not find in Dalziel—a house for himself and his family—and to carry on his ministry in a hall or school-room in King's Land at the Cross of Motherwell. A considerable part of the congregation adhered to him, and the liberality of many sympathising friends throughout the country enabled him to erect a neat, larger, and more comfortable church on a back feu off Muir Street, which sufficed till 1870, when it was reconstructed and enlarged. It was opened in 1844 by the Rev. Dr.

Burns, then of Paisley, afterwards of Toronto, and a manse was built beside it in 1847—a year before the opening of the railway. They were the first buildings erected in modern Motherwell, as if in anticipation of coming change. Such change Mr Clason shrewdly foresaw, and always expressed faith in the future of Motherwell. But to him in advancing years, and after such a quiet life, the prospect of an invasion of his rural parish by hosts of Uitlanders was not fascinating, and for several years he had assistants to help him in dealing with them, until in 1851 the General Assembly of the Free Church gave him the position of *minister-emeritus*, and placed the congregation in charge of a probationer. The probationer put in charge was the Rev. David Ogilvy, M.A., then assistant in the Free West Church, Greenock, who, after Mr Clason's death in 1852, was elected his successor and ordained in 1854. Mr (now Dr.) Ogilvy still survives as senior minister of Dalziel Free Church, but retired from active duty in 1896. It is his privilege to have seen the future in which Mr Clason only believed—yea, to have seen greater things than he ever dreamt of. The church which his father erected in 1786, and which he left in 1843, is now represented by the handsome new Parish Church in Merry Street, the South Parish Church (which is the old church greatly enlarged and improved, but retaining its old frontispiece), and by a mission church at Craigneuk; whilst the church which the son built in 1844 is represented by itself greatly enlarged and improved; by the Clason Memorial Church at Windmillhill, of which the memorial stone was laid by James H. Clason, Esq., of Edinburgh, son of Rev. James Clason, and in which the family name of Clason is appropriately embalmed; and by the Free Church at Craigneuk; whilst the 513 persons whom Mr Clason mentions as attending other churches have been gathered with many more into two handsome U.P. Churches in their own parish, and 10 additional places of worship representing forms of religious faith and polity other than Presbyterian. Of such an ecclesiastical state of things in his small parish, the good man never dreamt.

Following hard upon this ecclesiastical change, which

affected most of the parishes of Scotland—hastened, indeed, by it—came another change in 1845, in the shape of an Act of Parliament transferring the administration of poor relief from the parochial kirk session to a parochial board, composed of a certain proportion of members of session, all proprietors of a certain rental, and a certain number of persons elected by the rest of the ratepayers, under a Board of Supervision—the first of those measures which have transformed entirely the administration of parochial affairs.

KIRK SESSION.

Hitherto the parochial Kirk Session had been the only parochial authority. It was expected to provide food for the poor, education for the young, and discipline for the erring—in fact, to do what is done now by our Parish Councils, School Boards, and Police Courts. And just as the record of these Parochial Boards is a record of the parochial life of the present day, so the minutes of the Kirk Session are the only record we have of parochial life in the past. In Dalziel, these minutes begin in 1644, three years before Dalzell came into the possession of the Hamiltons, when Mr David Mayne was minister, and the first of them read like a report of the Police Court at Motherwell on a Monday morning, when bad language cases come up, with this difference that whereas the Provost or Bailie says 10s or three days' imprisonment, the Moderator of Session said £6 Scots, *and* to stand three Sabbath days in the public place in the gown or sackcloth. The Session evidently looked on itself as a kind of Police Court, ordained like Magistrates to be at least a terror to evil-doers, by visiting them with civil pains and penalties in addition to, or instead of, the spiritual censures which Christ has sanctioned in His Church. Of this we have a proof in the case of Mr Lauder, who succeeded Mr Mayne, and continued amid much persecution till the Revolution. At the outset of his ministry in 1660 he got a new session, and at their first meeting, "They divided the bounds, allotting to every elder his quarter, being desired to search in their quarter both for old and new scandals, that they

might be followed out and satisfied for." They had hard work for a time, for they held 26 meetings before the end of the year, at some of which as many as four inquests were held. But they had their reward of success. Before the end of 1661 there were several meetings, about which the only entry is—"Nothing worthy of censure detailed." When will the modern substitute in Dalziel of the old Kirk Session shew a clean sheet like that? This idea of the Kirk Session being a civil as well as ecclesiastical court seems to be the reason why no mention is made in its minutes of the civil authorities, and why in grave cases, instead of reporting them to Courts of Justice, they proceeded to deal with them themselves. Thus in 1728, under the ministry of Mr Alexander Adamson, who succeeded Mr Lauder after the Revolution, it was reported to the Session that bones had been discovered in Robert Ferrier's yard in Motherwell, supposed to be the bones of a murdered child. The Session appointed two of their number to go and view them and report. They reported that they thought them to be the bones of a human creature, and the Session, for their better information, ordered what could be got of the bones to be put together and brought down to the minister, instructing him to consult physicians about them, as he should see cause, in order to the case being laid before the Presbytery for advice. He laid them before a physician and surgeon in Hamilton, who both declared that they were human bones, and that there had been two of them, apparently twins, and that they had been living children. The Session on this report referred the case to the Presbytery for advice, and the Presbytery approved of their conduct therein, and advised them as quietly as possible to search what proofs or presumptions could be found, without accusing anyone till they should find sufficient ground to proceed on, and to report to next meeting. What report they gave to that meeting is not recorded. Most likely they found no trace of the murderer of the bairns, but the case is curious, as showing that the Kirk Session of old, not only sat as a Police Court, but sometimes did of its own accord, with approval of the Presbytery, what the law has now made the duty of the Procurator Fiscal. Let us not

in our better circumstances disparage the services which these Kirk Sessions rendered to their parishes throughout broad Scotland in the interest of righteousness, peace, and purity, when there was no other local authority—even if they did sometimes what did not of necessity appertain to them as an ecclesiastical court, but which needed to be done, and was done by them simply in lack of anyone else to do it. But an improved police system and judicial procedure have removed the justification of an ecclesiastical court burdening itself with the administration of justice.

PAROCHIAL BOARD.

The Poor Law Act, which came into operation in 1845, relieved the parochial kirk sessions of the statutory duty of providing and administering relief to the poor of the parish. Hitherto the poor had been supported by the church door collections on Sabbath, and if that was not sufficient the session could assess for the amount needed. Thus, in Mr Robert Clason's time there were only three paupers, for whom the collections sufficed; but in Mr James Clason's time there were fourteen, for whom an assessment was required. After the Disruption, when the majority of parishioners no longer worshipped in the Parish Church, it was evident that the kirk session of a section of the people could not manage the relief of the poor in a satisfactory way, and the Parochial Board, with a great predominance of proprietors, was called to discharge the duty so long discharged by the kirk session of the Parish Church. In addition, it was entrusted, under various Acts of Parliament, with the care of burial grounds and raising money needed for registration and education; and for half a century did useful work in the parishes of Scotland, though from its one-sided constitution it was never popular with the mass of the people, and was at length replaced by Parish Councils, which are the same thing under popular election and with somewhat enlarged powers in parochial matters—the copestone, if electors and elected do their duty, of the most perfect system of local government that has ever been in the world.

The first meeting of the Parochial Board was held in 1845, when the Rev. Joseph Loudon, who had been ordained successor to Mr Clason in the Parish Church in 1844, was appointed chairman, and held that position till Lord Hamilton came to reside at Dalzell, when he was appointed to the post, and held it as long as the Board existed. Mr Loudon lived and laboured in Dalziel till 1874, a period of thirty years, and his name is still revered by all who knew him as an evangelical preacher, a faithful pastor, a courteous gentleman, and a ready co-operator with all around him in any good work. The parish may well remember him for his attention to its affairs when there were few who were both willing and able to manage them aright. The first inspector, Mr Torrance, had to come from Hamilton, and his successors have been Mr Kay, Mr Stewart, and Mr Miller, still inspector under the Parish Council. When the Registration Act came into operation in 1854 Mr George Sneddon was appointed registrar, and still holds the office, with an assistant. No proper record of the business has been kept, or, at least, is known to exist till 1859. The last statutory half-yearly meeting was held on 9th February, 1895, when Mr John Lawson presided in absence of Lord Hamilton. It was reported that the number of paupers then chargeable to the parish was 163, with 136 dependents, or 15 per 1000 of the population, and the record closed with this minute—"The Board, considering that this is the last statutory meeting under the Poor Law Act, agrees to record its sense of indebtedness to Lord Hamilton of Dalzell during its past history, and, likewise, its indebtedness to the gentlemen who have conducted the various committees, and have taken an interest in the affairs of the parish for so long a time." The last monthly meeting of the management committee was held on 15th May, when arrangements were made for transference of business, and it fell to Rev. Mr Ogilvy, Mr Clason's successor in the Free Church, to preside at the end, as the Rev. Mr Loudon, his successor in the Parish Church, had fifty years before presided at the beginning of Dalziel Parochial Board.

PARISH COUNCIL.

The Parish Council immediately stept into its shoes, a goodly number of twenty, all told, and elected Mr Andrew Wilson, Burngrange, as chairman. But the addition of parts of Hamilton and Bothwell had not yet taken place, and provision was made by the Secretary for Scotland for admission of their representatives when it did. Its area of operation accordingly is now the whole extended parish, much larger and more populous than that of the late Parochial Board; and, as it has to provide for all parochial necessities—poor relief, registration, education, and burial grounds—its balance sheet on 15th May, 1899, is in striking contrast with the first assessment in 1836, which yielded £50 for the support of fourteen paupers at the rate of six shillings each per month. For the year then ended the receipts of the Parish Council for all these purposes are reported to have been £10,545 5s 5d, and the expenditure £10,177 1s 6d, besides £81 19s 6d of a special parish rate spent on maintenance of roads. At that date the number of registered poor was 193, or 7 per 1000 of population, and with dependents, 12, whilst for the whole of Scotland it is 15 and 24 per 1000 respectively. The average rate of aliment (exclusive of clothing, &c.) to ordinary outdoor paupers is £12 1s 6d. £3609 0s 6½d is got from assessment for poor; rate, 7¾d per £. Assessable rental, £114,840 4s 11d. Total rates for all purposes over whole parish, 1s 7d per £, or 9½d on owner and occupier respectively. The burial ground alone is profitable.

SCHOOL BOARD.

Among these accounts of the Parish Council the largest item is £5150 expended on education, which runs away with more than half of the whole rates and nearly three times that raised for the poor. This item, however, is not expended by the Council, but only raised by it, and handed over to the School Board as the amount which it had intimated was necessary for educational purposes during the year. The Education Act which created School

Boards in 1873 is the completion of the reform of parochial management which was inaugurated by the Poor Law Act, which created Parochial Boards in 1845. At that time Mr Brackenridge was parish teacher, but died of cholera in 1849. After that, three persons were successively elected; but one went away after a year and a half, another committed suicide in a few months, and a third died in 1852. Then came the last and most famous of Dalziel parish teachers, Mr Alexander Whamond, who, in 1853, took possession of the small house and large garden at Knowetop, which was the teacher's perquisite, and also of the small room which served as a school. He continued there till 1861, when Lord Hamilton erected a new school and school-house at Crosstone, which, with alterations, served till 1873, when the School Board took possession, and they were replaced by the present handsome Dalziel Public School, in which he continued till his death in 1896, having served the parish for 43 years, and achieved distinction as the author of "James Tacket," "Dellburn House," "Cantica Scotica," &c., &c. To him we are indebted for our extracts from session minutes.

The first election of School Board took place in Parish Schoolhouse, 15th March, 1873—E. P. Dykes, returning. officer. There were twenty-two candidates, and the following seven were elected:—Rev. Joseph Loudon, Thomas Morton, Richard Williams, Samuel Thomson, M.D., John Brown, Edward Small, and John Galloway-Afterwards, when it was shown that the population was over 10,000, the number of members was raised to nine. The Board first met on 24th March. Rev. Mr Loudon was elected chairman, who died 1874, when Lord Hamilton succeeded him. Officer reported 1257 at school, 1060 not at school; accommodation for only 1130 scholars. Valuation reported, £53,282 2s; £400 required from Parochial Board; assessment, 2d. Compare this with latest report of officer about all the schools in the parish:—

On roll in seven Board schools, - -	5300
,, four non-Board schools (R.C.), -	1688
Total, - - -	6988

whose education, according to financial report, 15th May, 1899, cost for Board schools alone £18,122, exclusive of balances, or £3 8s 4½d per scholar. Of this, £8217 were paid to teachers, and £5150 came from a rate of 11d per £ on a rental of £114,840, whilst the balance of loans is £38,637. It will thus be seen that the School Board of Dalziel has a most onerous work on their hands, and the parish is much indebted to the members, headed by the Rev. David Scott, their excellent chairman, who give their time to its management. Their last erection, the High School, should be highly prized by all parents in the place, as furnishing their aspiring sons and daughters, after passing through any of the other schools, with the opportunity of mounting to the higher steps of the educational ladder, and fitting themselves for many of the more profitable walks of life which are now open to the well-educated.

MOTHERWELL STATION.

After 1845, the starting point of that reform of parochial management which we have traced, the next important change in Dalziel was the most important of all—even the opening of the Caledonian Railway in February, 1848, and the formation of a station at the Motherwell junction of its lines to Glasgow and the coast, and Glasgow and the North. The station at first was off Brandon Street, where the goods station is now, but was eventually removed to its present site in Muir Street. Such a position was peculiarly favourable for opening up the mineral wealth of the district, and also for erecting public works near at once to a supply of coal, and a great highway to all parts of the kingdom. It was the beginning of a new era for the parish, and was speedily taken advantage of by Mr, afterwards Sir, John Watson, who had discovered a gold mine in the form of Wishaw coal, and began to work Victoria Pit in the east end of the parish, and erect Watson's Rows, which were the nucleus of the populous place now called Craigneuk, which has been annexed to the Burgh of Wishaw, though in the parish of Dalziel. It was also taken advantage of by the West of Scotland Malleable Company to erect iron works

on Milton Farm, close by the line of railway running to Glasgow and the North, and also houses in Milton, Kirk, and King Streets for their workmen, who came mostly from Wales. But the venture was not a success. The works had not been long in operation when they were closed, and the workers left the houses built for them, which were let to anybody for a few pence a week, and brought together a nondescript population. The hopes cherished about the development of the place were damped, and the deserted works were shown to strangers as modern ruins of Baalbec. Save for smoky and shrieking trains careering through it, the aspect of the parish and condition of the people were the same as they had been in the past. But hope, though damped, was not destroyed. The blocked development was a land block. The Duke of Hamilton would not open coal pits or give off feus. The young laird of Dalzell could not do so either till he was of age and got the sanction of the Court of Session, whilst Braidhurst estate and the Malleable works were in the market. But a little time might change all that or much of it; and so it did. In 1850 Lord Hamilton came of age, and took steps for opening up his estate. In 1852, the Glasgow Iron Coy. acquired and re-started the Malleable works, which have never stopped since. The Braidhurst estate also changed hands, and was opened up, whilst the successor of the Duke of Hamilton was of a different mind, and made as much as he could off feus and pits. From henceforth Dalziel has progressed by leaps and bounds in public works and population and wealth to its present position, as one of the principal industrial centres of the country—especially of the steel industry, bridge building, waggon making, &c. As to population—In 1851 it was 2,263, an increase in ten years of 805; in 1861 it was 5,438, an increase of 3,175; in 1871 it was 9,174, an increase of 3,736; in 1881 it was 13,862, an increase of 4,688; in 1891 it was 19,204, an increase of 5,342. At present it is estimated at about 30,000, whilst the gross rental is £143,238 4s.

Such is the wondrous transformation which Lord Hamilton of Dalzell has seen in the parish since on coming of age he began to take an interest in its affairs. Its rise and progress dates from that time, and owes much to what he did in its various boards whilst health permitted him. His absence has made a great blank in it, though his amiable family have made up for it as much as possible. The memorable incidents in his life are too many to be chronicled here, but the following is a brief summary with which to conclude this brief account of Dalziel and its Lairds:—John Glencairn Carter Hamilton, first Lord Hamilton of Dalzell, succeeded his grandfather at the age of five years as seventh Laird of Dalzell. After finishing his school education at Eton he became captain in the 2nd Life Guards, and later on Lieutenant-Colonel in the Queen's Own Glasgow and Lanarkshire Yeomanry Cavalry. He was member of Parliament for the Falkirk Burghs, 1857-59, and for South Lanarkshire, 1868-74 and 1880-1886. He is J. P., D. L. Vice-Lieutenant of Lanarkshire, Lord-in-Waiting to Her Majesty the Queen, and Baron Hamilton of Dalzell in the Peerage of the United Kingdom, to which honour he was raised on the 15th August, 1886.

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Part II.

DALZIEL AND ITS MINISTERS.

BEFORE REFORMATION.

IT has been said that Dalziel was a place of importance in pre-Reformation days, and the proof adduced is that there were in it three "holy" wells, called St. Patrick's, St. Catherine's, and the Lady's Well, which were much resorted to by religious devotees. It is only a proof that the people of Scotland in these days, after a thousand years of priestly influence, were deplorably sunk in ignorance and superstition—not raised in the least above their heathen ancestors.

The little church of Dalziel had no marks of importance about it, except that it was dedicated to St. Patrick, that illustrious Scottish missionary to Ireland in the fifth century, who has won an unique place in many Irish hearts, but was born at Kilpatrick, in Dumbartonshire, where the Roman Wall terminated, and with it the Roman Road, along which he may sometimes have taken a walk as far as Motherwell, quenched his thirst at the Lady's Well, and learned the latest news from Rome at the Clyde Camp. With its revenues, the Church was granted to the Abbey of Paisley in the twelfth century, but was afterwards transferred to the dean and chapter of Glasgow, who possessed it till the Reformation.

Of its vicars, the only names preserved are—Renaud, 1296; Thomas de Arthurly, 1362; Georgius Akinhede, 1507; Cuthberd Symon, 1553; and Andrew Walker, who was the last before the Reformation.

FROM REFORMATION TO REVOLUTION.

The period from the Reformation to the Revolution (1592—1688) was characterised by an almost continuous struggle of the newly-established Presbyterian Church to preserve its existence against the efforts of the Stuart kings to abolish it. Only for a few years between 1638 and 1660—the period of what is called the Second Reformation from Prelacy, which had been thrust upon the nation by the imposition of a Book of Canons and a Liturgy —had it any rest; whilst during the subsequent twenty-eight years from 1660 to 1688, it was subjected to a terrible persecution, which seemed to aim at the extermination of Presbyterians by simply killing them;—hence the name of "Killing Time," by which it is known.

During this period, the church of Dalziel (now Presbyterian) was served at first by three exhorters and readers in succession, in lack of ordained ministers—Robert Fischar, 1566; John Robeson, 1567; and Robert Kerr, 1574: then by five ordained ministers—Alexander Rowat, 1591; Luke Stirling, 1594; David Pollock, 1603; David Mayne, 1607; and John Lauder, 1659—1690. Mr Lauder was minister during the whole of the "Killing Time," and had a trying experience. He was a man of great ability, earnestness, and inflexible attachment to his Church and parish. He made a mistake, indeed, in giving thanks with his congregation for the Restoration of Charles II., which he had soon reason to regret, when that monarch, after deceiving his people by signing the Covenant, no sooner found himself on the throne than he overturned Presbyterian government in the Church, and began a terrible persecution, which lasted all his reign—thrusting out of their charges 400 of the best ministers of Scotland, and among them the minister of Dalziel, who was ordered to remove from his charge by February, 1663, and to quit the parish in 1664. Till 1670, no more is heard of him. Walter Birnie, a blind Episcopalian curate, was put in his place, but did no duty. Meanwhile, it is surmised Mr Lauder was not far away. There is a tradition that he was, as far as possible, sheltered and protected by James, the first Hamilton of

Dalzell, and his son Alexander, who became one of his elders in 1673, and sometimes he secretly visited the parish and preached to his people from the great oak in front of Dalzell House, which is still called the Covenanters' Oak.

But in 1670 he returned to them as their minister under the Indulgence issued in 1669, and was warmly welcomed. His availing himself of the Indulgence did not imply approval of the King's Government, and on this account he was greatly harassed and persecuted by the ruling power. For refusing to observe the anniversary of Charles' restoration in 1677, he was summoned before the Privy Council, and fined in the half of his stipend and the crop for the year; and in 1684, for refusing to read the proclamation anent the deliverance of the King and the Duke of York from the Ryehouse Plot, his Indulgence was taken from him, he was forbidden to preach without leave, and committed to the Tolbooth of Glasgow till he should find caution for 5000 merks—John Aird, meanwhile, being admitted to his charge. Yet in 1687, under another Indulgence, he returned to Dalzell, and was translated to West Calder in 1690, where he died in 1691, in the 32nd year of his ministry.

During all this time his people suffered also. They were strongly pervaded with the Covenanting spirit, and for their sympathies were subjected to a fine of £35, whilst many had to flee from their homes and be in peril of their lives night and day. In the roll of fugitives, the names of four belonging to the parish are to be found, and deserve remembrance by all in Dalziel who value their civil and religious liberty. The names of these heroes of Dalziel are James Campbell, James Smellie in Milton, Gavin Jack in Airbles, and Gavin Hamilton in Baron's Mains.

FROM REVOLUTION TO DISRUPTION.

The history of the period from the Revolution to the Disruption (1688-1843) is different from the history of the last. That was a history of antagonism between the State and the Presbyterian Church of Scotland: this is a history of their alliance according to what is called the Revolution Settlement, which was such a relief from the butchery that

had been going on, that people did not examine it carefully enough, and detect the seeds of evil which it contained—seeds which grew up quickly when patronage was restored in 1712, and made the history of the Church of Scotland for more than a century a piece of the dreariest receding in the literature of the world—a history of the intrusion of ministers into churches against the will of the people, and contrary to the law of the Church itself, that no minister should be thus intruded, and of the secession of congregations, and ministers also, from the unhappy alliance which their ecclesiastical mother had formed, to set up churches for themselves with greater freedom and purity—churches which are now represented by the United Presbyterian Church, and drained the mother church of much of the best Presbyterian blood in her veins. Not only so. Many who did not secede deplored the evils in the allied Church, and cast about for a remedy, which they thought they had found in the Veto Act, which did not meddle with patronage, but held it to be limited by the Church's own law, that a presentee should be acceptable to a congregation. But that Act, on being challenged, was declared to be illegal by the law courts, whose decision was homologated by Parliament, and the whole question became one of spiritual independence in carrying out its own laws, which it regarded as Christ's laws. When this was denied by the other partner in the Alliance, the greatest secession of all followed. The General Assembly of 1843, after a protest, and headed by the Moderator, walked out of the State-allied Church to Cannonmills, and formed a Free Church of Scotland, which, with the United Presbyterian Church, forms now the grand outcome of the alliance of Church and State according to the Revolution Settlement.

This would not have been the case if the whole Church had been like the Church of Dalziel, and all patrons like the Hamiltons of Dalzell. During all that time they seem to have exercised their patronage in a wise and considerate way, so that there were no disputed settlements or secessions. They acted, in short, on the principles of the Veto Act, which did no injustice to patrons or presentee, and yet respected the wishes of the people.

The ministers of Dalziel during this period were nine—Alexander Adamson, 1695 ; Hugh Macvicar, 1734 ; Daniel Macqueen, 1736 ; John Pinkerton, 1744 ; James Frame, 1759 ; Richard Robertson, 1761 ; Robert Clason, 1786 ; William Thomson, 1801 ; James Clason, 1808.

SINCE THE DISRUPTION.

This period (1843-1899) is the most pleasant of all to write about. The former days were none of them better than the past half-century. The Disruption was not the down-fall of the Established Church, but rather paved the way for the removal of patronage, which had been at the bottom of all the secessions that had taken place, and up till now separated her from other churches. The spirit of revival also came on her as on others, and the old moderatism of last century ceased to be in vogue. A great number of able and popular preachers sprang up, and her vacant seats have come to be in great measure filled up. Many people of other denominations cherish the hope that the spirit of union which is in the air will come to include her, and bring about a glorious reunion of Presbyterians in Scotland as it has been brought about in the colonies. There is certainly a more genial spirit abroad among the churches than ever was before—a better recognition of the great Presbyterian doctrine of the Christian Church, that it consists of many particular churches differing in some things, but all belonging to the catholic or universal visible church which consists of all professed believers in Him.

During this period the ministers of Dalziel have been two—Joseph Loudon, 1844, and David Scott, B.D., 1874.

Of Mr Loudon, many remain to cherish his memory. He was an evangelical preacher, a most faithful pastor, and of a most catholic spirit, and took a great interest in all parochial affairs.

Of Mr Scott, who has just finished his twenty-fifth year of ministry, we can speak in no terms but the highest praise for everything which becomes a minister of Christ. He also takes a great interest in parochial and burghal affairs, and the School Board have in him a chairman not to be surpassed by any in broad Scotland.

But what shall we more say? We have been tracing the ecclesiastical history of the parish, but it has landed us in a multitude of churches which have all been built and ministers who have all come during this period, whilst some have come and gone. We can only say that few towns are so well supplied with able and earnest ministers as Motherwell, and also with other helpful agencies, among which the Y.M.C.A. is conspicuous with its handsome Institute.

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Part III.

THE BURGH OF MOTHERWELL.

THE Burgh of Motherwell is in the parish of Dalziel, and the burghers are interested in its parochial history and institutions—having to pay its taxes and elect its Parish Council and School Board as if there were no burgh at all. But in certain respects the burgh is a distinct locality within the parish, constituted under the Lindsay Police Act passed in 1862, and subsequent Acts, and empowered to elect Commissioners to provide certain specified advantages for the ratepayers within its bounds, and assess them for expense. The Act could only be adopted by places that were reckoned populous in the meaning of the Act, at a meeting of the ratepayers, called and presided over by the Sheriff, but was invaluable to them in providing water, lighting, drainage, police, &c. Motherwell was one of the places which saw its value, and took advantage of it. During the ten years from 1852 to 1862, it had grown into a populous place, and a supply of water was the pressing necessity. The "three holy wells" failed the people of Motherwell in their time of need, even the Lady's Well yielding to Sir John Watson's mining seduction, and pouring its streams into the bowels of the earth instead of on its surface. The expedients of carting the water of the Calder through the streets, and of collecting rain from housetops into underground cisterns were not satisfactory. The severe visitations of cholera in 1849 and 1854 were attributed to bad water, and it was evident the progress of Motherwell would cease unless a supply of good water was got. At this juncture a man arose who knew what Motherwell ought to do. This was Mr John

Kay, who was a kind of *factotum* in the place—factor for King's trustees (who owned a great proportion of the property), postmaster, and inspector of poor. He saw that the adoption of the Police Act would enable Motherwell to supply its urgent necessity, water, and in April, 1864, convened a meeting of the inhabitants in the Free Church. The Rev. David Ogilvy, minister of the Church, was asked to preside, and the result was that after Mr Kay's proposal was heard and discussed, fourteen householders agreed in making an application to the Sheriff to declare the locality a populous place in terms of the Act and define its boundaries. The names of these fathers of the burgh of Motherwell deserve to be recorded, viz., John Kay, James Davidson, James Ralston, John Hinshaw, Robert Hinshaw, John Napier, Andrew Reid, Andrew Milne, John Prentice, John Lawson, James King, Benjamin Gilmour, Alexander Algie, William King, and Thomas Thomson. But owing to some local opposition it was only on the 5th April, 1865, that the decisive meeting was held, when the Act was adopted, and Motherwell became a burgh, electing its first Commissioners on the 27th of the same month, when by the irony of fate Mr Kay, the moving spirit all through, was denied a seat on the first Commission by one vote. There was no Ballot Act then, and the franchise was £10. The number of electors was 86, and of these 29 voted on 24 candidates. The names of the first Commissioners were :— James Russell, George Anderson, Dr. Samuel Thomson, Thomas Morton, Robert Cassels, James Davidson, William King, Andrew Reid, James Dick. James Russell was chosen Provost, and still survives, with a wonderful measure of health.

Thus did the burgh of Motherwell come into existence on 5th April, 1865, and begin to act on 27th April, 1865. It has now existed for 34 years under Provosts Russell, King, Waddell, Watson, Morton, Thomson, Goodwin, Colville, Grieve, and Fraser ; and its progress has far surpassed anything dreamt of by its originators. It has been divided into four wards, and members of Commission have been increased from nine to fifteen. It has attracted to itself many great industrial concerns, and these, with minor

industries and collieries, have brought together an enormous mass of population. From 4261 in 1865, it has risen to from 27,000 to 28,000 in 1899. The rental has also kept pace with the population. In 1865 it was £8645 ; for the current year 1899-1900 it is £105,844 4s ; the whole parish being £157,010 17s—landward, £43,300, and Craigneuk in Wishaw £7,866 4s. The boundaries of the burgh have repeatedly been extended, and there is a proposal to extend them still further. The close of the century also finds work plentiful and wages good, and the circulation of a vast amount of money.

SUMMARY.

A short summary can now only be added of the Municipal and Industrial History of the Burgh.

In regard to Municipal matters, it may safely be said, that since the formation of the burgh in 1865 there has been steady and continuous progress all along the line ; the population having risen from about 3000 to about 28,000, with all the needs of house accommodation, street formation, drainage, water supply, &c., to be provided for.

Probably the water supply has been one of the most important items, requiring special attention right along ; and although the arrangements were gone into on safe and progressive lines, yet the increase of public works and the rapid growth of the burgh in recent years has necessitated looking further ahead for a more ample supply than even the latest extension has provided for. Twenty-five years ago, a supply, giving 50,000 gallons a day, was considered ample ; now a million gallons per day is the regular consumpt. The original reservoir held 18 millions of gallons, against over 100 millions now in Coldstream and Springfield Reservoirs ; and at present it is under consideration to provide for a very much larger demand, likely to arise from the large amount of house-building and the new public works being put down.

In all departments of the Municipal work special attention will be required to meet the increasing needs, not only in connection with the Cleansing and Sanitary

matters—now being attended to direct by burgh employees—but also to the Streets and Drainage requirements.

What with the proposed Extension of the Burgh boundaries—now being considered; the disposal of the Sewage, arising from the enforcement of the Purification of Rivers Act; the Electric Lighting and acquiring of the Gas Works; and the increased Water Supply, the Commissioners will have their hands full for some time to come.

The further Extension of the Burgh boundaries may mean a revision of the Wards, and the Fifteen Commissioners be allocated to Five Wards, and so remove a difficulty which has existed since the number was increased from Twelve to Fifteen.

In connection with Educational matters, the School Board have been kept "on the move" to keep pace with the population; and besides the large additions made on several of the existing school buildings, the new High School in Airbles Street has made an important and finely equipped addition to the accommodation required; and further consideration is being given to new schools still needed.

The Architectural improvements going on are very marked, and special mention may be made of the Young Men's Institute (adjoining Dalzell School) in Windmillhill Street, which is expected to be ready for occupation early in 1900, and should prove a distinct addition to the forces that make for good to the community, and especially to the multitude of young men in our midst.

INDUSTRIAL.

The industrial history of Motherwell dates back about half a century, and now with the great development of coal and other mineral resources, our town has gone on by leaps and bounds until it is the most important manufacturing centre on the Caledonian Railway system. Within the last two years important extensions and improvements have been carried out in the existing steel works and rolling mills, while new engineering, waggon building, and

bridge works have been put down. This all points to a continuance of the "building boom" and the further growth of the Burgh.

In recent years, special extensions have been made in the plant for the production of steel plates and bars till in one of the works the output has risen to 17,000 tons of finished material in one month!

To enumerate the various industries and their capacity is not our purpose at present. Suffice it to say, that, in connection with the steel manufacture and allied trades, and in the immense coal output of the district, an army of employees find good and steady work, with a wages total that must run into many thousands of pounds per week. Altogether, for a good, all round manufacturing centre, Motherwell "holds the field," and the aim of all should be to help on the progress and prosperity in every wise way in the years to come.

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Agent in Motherwell—JAMES BURNS, Town Clerk.

GENERAL DIRECTORY.

ACCOUNTANTS.

Liddel, Thomas M'L., Hamilton Road.

ÆRATED WATER MANUFACTURERS.

M'Ginnes, William, Melville Drive.
M'Nab, John, Orbiston Street.
Scott, R. A., 62 Merry Street.

ARCHITECTS AND SURVEYORS.

Bell, James, 8 Merry Street.
Cowie, James, 86 Brandon Street.
Cullen, Alexander, 4 Clyde Street.
Dyer, William L., Coursington Road.
Harvie, Robert, 8 Clyde Street.
Robertson, D. W., Wilson Street.
Wilson, John, Royal Terrace, Camp Street.

AUCTIONEERS.

Cringan, Robert, 27 Muir Street.
Mann, James, 144 Brandon Street.
Nicol, Alexander F., Auction Mart, Merry Street. House address—Morrison Place, Coatbridge.

BAKERS.

Bryce, T. 138 Brandon Street, and 102 Airbles Street.
Callan, Thomas, Leslie Street.
Collins, James, 12 Muir Street.
Dalziel Co-Operative Society, Limited, Dalziel Street.
Fletcher, M., 98 Windmillhill Street.

Gourlay, Walter, 94 Brandon Street.
Loudon, Robert L., & Son, 6 Windmillhill Street.
M'Lurg, James, 142 Windmillhill Street.
Robertson, Thomas, 118 Merry Street.
Wardrop, Thomas, 70 Muir Street.

BANKS.

Bank of Scotland, Brandon Street.
British Linen Company, Muir Street.
Commercial Bank of Scotland, Windmillhill Street.
Clydesdale Bank, Limited, Clyde Street.
National Bank of Scotland, Cross.

BARBERS—(See Hairdressers).

BILLPOSTERS.

Bell, William & Co., 17 Muir Street.
M'Millan, W. B., 2 Muir Street.

BLACKSMITHS.

Alexander, Robert, Hamilton Street.
Miller, John, 165 Windmillhill Street.
Hamilton, Gavin, Hope Street.
Richmond, James, Crosshill Street.
Walker, James, Parkneuk.

BOILERMAKERS.

Marshall, John, Park Street.
Russell & Co., George, Park Street.

BOLT AND RIVET WORKS.

Pillans, Alexander, Knowetop and Albert Street.

BOOKSELLERS AND STATIONERS.

Aikman, George, 11 Brandon Street.
Anderson, James B., 114 Brandon Street.
Bell, William, & Co., 17 Muir Street.
Boyle, E., 70 Windmillhill Street.
Cameron, Kenneth, 84 Merry Street.
Gray, James, 74 Brandon Street.

Herdman, John, 56 Windmillhill Street.
Laird, Robert, 90 Muir Street.
Menzies & Co., Railway Station.
Muir, M., 111 Brandon Street.
M'Kenzie, Mrs M. 78 Windmillhill Street.
M'Millan, 7 Clyde Street.
Swift, Edward, 122 Muir Street.
Weir, James, 2 Muir Street.

BOOT AND SHOEMAKERS.

Allan, Gavin, 10 Brandon Street.
Cuthbert & Son, Alexander, 82 Brandon Street.
Dalziel Co-Operative Society, Limited, Dalziel Street.
Fraser, E., 8 Airbles Street.
Gray & Co., John, 4 Muir Street.
Grim, Andrew, 76 Windmillhill Street.
Miller, William, 122 Merry Street.
M'Lellan, Robert, 81 Brandon Street.
M'M'Skimming, Wm., 44 Merry Street.
Prentice, Archibald, Russell's Land, Flemington.
Riddoch, Robert, 140 Brandon Street.
Roger, James, 72 Muir Street.
Stead & Simpson, 90 Brandon Street.
Steen, E., 102 Brandon Street.
Tevendale, Thomas, 100 Windmillhill Street and 182 Brandon Street.
Tyler & Co., 22 Brandon Street.
Wilson, Alexander, 18 Milton Street.
Wilson, S. J. 122 Muir Street.

BRASSFOUNDERS.

Lang, Robert, Flemington.
Russell, John, Albert Street.

BRICKMAKERS.

King, Thomas, & Co., Bellside. Office—11 Merry Street.
Miller & Park, Jenny Lind Works, Carfin. Office — Hamilton Street.
Nellfield Brick and Tile Co., Braidwood (J. Lawson, 57 Merry Street).
Watson, Limited, John, Watsonville Works.

BRIDGE-BUILDERS.

Brandon Bridge Building Company, Limited, Park Street.
Findlay, Alexander, & Co., Parkneuk.
Motherwell Bridge Building Company, Limited.

BROKERS.

Mann, James, 144 Brandon Street.

BUILDERS—(See Masons.)

BUTCHERS—(See Fleshers.)

CABINETMAKERS.

Cringan, Robert, 27 Muir Street.
Deacon, Robert, 76 Merry Street.
Simpson, James, 6 Clyde Street.

CARRIAGE-HIRERS—(See Coach Proprietors.)

CARRIERS.

Watson, Thomas, Brandon Street.

CHEMISTS AND DRUGGISTS.

Baillie, Daniel, 126 Brandon Street, and Flemington.
Begg, John C., 82 Merry Street.
Robertson, Dr., 353 Flemington.
Scott, Robert A., 62 Merry Street.
Scott, Thomas, 9 Merry Street.
Taylor, Dugald, 60 Brandon Street.

CHIMNEY-SWEEPS.

Adams, Wm., 158 Merry Street.
Dixon Bros., 139 Brandon Street.
M'Kenna, Windmillhill Street.

CHINA AND GLASS DEALERS.

Black, H. M., 29 Muir Street.
Brown, Joseph, 15 Windmillhill Street.
Clark, David, 114 Muir Street.

Dolphin, Isaac, 94 Merry Street.
Ibbotson, Wm., 72 Windmillhill Street.
Meikle, Archd., 46 Coursington Street.
Millar, M., Watson Street.
Miller, Wm., 120 Merry Street.
M'Corkindale, Mrs, 3 Hope Street.
M'Culloch, Robert, 114 Muir Street.
Simpson, James, 34 Brandon Street.
Swift, Edward, 126 Muir Street.
Treadwell, Mrs 170 Windmillhill Street.

CIVIL ENGINEERS.

Maxwell, William, Assistant Burgh Surveyor, Town Hall.
M'Callum, James, Burgh Surveyor, Town Hall.
M Kay, William, Thorn Street.
Wilson, Andrew, Commercial Bank, Windmillhill Street.

CLOTHIERS.

(See Drapers and Tailors and Clothiers.)

COACH PROPRIETORS.

Clark, John, 122 Brandon Street.
Kyte, George, Hope Street.
Wallace, William, Clyde Street.

COALMASTERS.

Camp Colliery Company, Camp.
Glasgow Iron and Steel Co., Parkhead Colliery.
Merry & Cuninghame, Ltd., North Motherwell Colliery.
M'Andrew J., & Co., Dalziel Colliery.
Summerlee Coal Co., Braidhurst Colliery.
United Collieries, Ltd., Shields Colliery.
Watson, John, Ltd., Motherwell Colliery.

COLLIERY MANAGERS.

Begg, Gilbert B., 63 Crosshill Street.
Brown, Peter, Windmillhill Street.
Graham, John, 4 Parkhead Pit.
Jamieson, Thomas, Hamilton Road.
M'Lurg, William, Flemington Street.

CONFECTIONERS.

Drummond, James, 102 Muir Street.
Holmes, William, 13 Park Street.
Horton, Mrs, 62 Calder Street.
Irvine, Daniel, 56 Dalziel Street.
Jackson, John, 107 Roman Road.
Kerr, Wm. 150 Muir Street.
King, John, 92 Park Street.
M'Cartney, Thomas, 47 Park Street.
Quinn, John, 172 Merry Street.
Quinn, Mrs, 74 Merry Street.
Quinn, Maggie, 122 Caledonian Street.
Ralston, Mrs, 146 Windmillhill Street.
Thomson, Henry, 178 Muir Street.
Thomson, James, 46 Albert Street.
Timmins, Francis, 28 Windmillhill Street.
Treadwell, Mrs, 170 Windmillhill Street.

CONTRACTORS.

Maddock, Sam, Windmillhill Street.
Millar, John, 20 Hamilton Street.
M'Innes, Donald, 30 Airbles Street.
M'Taggart, P., Lochend.

CRANE-MAKERS.

Chambers, Scott, & Co., Park Street.
Grieve, John, & Co., Park Street.
Marshall, Fleming, & Jack, Dellburn Works.
Russell, George, & Co., Park Street.

CYCLE AGENTS.

Fleming, William, Hayfield Place, Orchard Street.
Lowe, J. D., 12 Windmillhill Street.
Miller, William, 92 Merry Street.
M'Millan & Taggart, 83 Brandon Street.
Smith, Alex., 51 Hope Street.

DAIRY-KEEPERS.

Buchanan, Miss J., Clyde Street.
Gibb, Mrs, 62 Airbles Street.
Gibb, Robert, 52 Windmillhill Street.
Hamilton, James, 148 Windmillhill Street and 347 Flemington.
Lindsay, James, 93 Brandon Street.
Main, David, 8 Leslie Street.
Maypole Company, 42 Brandon Street.
Meikle, Archibald, Millburn Street.
Millar, Miss, 4 Watson Street.
Mullen, T., 57 Miller Street.
Munro, Robert, 148 Windmillhill Street.
M'Cartney, Thomas, 47 Park Street.
M'Corkindale, Miss, 3 Hope Street.
M'Donald, Jane, 160 Merry Street.
Paterson, Miss, 76 Muir Street.
Robertson, James, 67 Brandon Street.
Sellars, John, 14 Leslie Street.
Watt, Mrs, 109 Roman Road.

DENTIST.

Waterhouse, A., Morayfield, Hamilton Road.

DRAPERS.

(See also Tailors and Clothiers).

Anderson, H. V., & Son, 8 Clyde Street.
Anderson, Thomas, 105 Brandon Street.
Bennet, J. W., 3 Brandon Street.
Black, James, 124 Muir Street.
Braid, C., 124 Windmillhill Street.
Christie, J. W., 108 Muir Street, and 66 Windmillhill Street.
Clark, Mrs, 13 Windmillhill Street.
Clark, David, 146 Muir Street.
Dalziel Co-operative Society, Limited, Dalziel Street, and Branches.
Docherty, John, 116 Muir Street.
Duncan, Thomas, 20 Brandon Street.
Findlay, T. W., 46 Brandon Street.

Ford & Co., 5 Watson Street.
Gray, Andrew, 40 Brandon Street.
Hawthorn, G., 390 Flemington.
Hislop, John, 46 Merry Street.
Johnstone, Thomas, 50 Muir Street.
Lawson, William J., 64 Merry Street.
Leeds Clothing Company, 50 Brandon Street.
Lynch, Thomas, 89 Brandon Street.
M'Lees, T. Stuart & Co., 106 Brandon Street and 10 Windmillhill Street.
M'Leod, R., 6 Merry Street.
M'Leod, William, 21 Muir Street.
M'Naught, D. C., 26 Muir Street, and 84 Brandon Street.
M'Neil, John, 53 Albert Street.
Napier, John, 70 Brandon Street.
Paterson, Mrs, 102 Merry Street.
Wilson, G. & W., 25 Muir Street.
Wilson, John, 8 Muir Street.

DOCTORS (See Physicians).

DYERS.

Bowie, W. & J., 30 Muir Street.
Templeton, William, 115 Brandon Street.

EGG MERCHANTS.

Hughes, Thomas, 54 Muir Street.
M'Conville, John, Orbiston Street.

EMIGRATION AGENT.

Cringan, Robert, 27 Muir Street.

ENGINEERS.

Brandon Bridge Building Company, Ltd., Park Street.
Chambers, Scott, & Company, Park Street.
Dunlop, James, Coursington Street.
Findlay, Alexander, & Company, Parkneuk.
Grieve, John, & Company, Park Street.

Marshall, Fleming, & Jack, Dellburn Works.
Motion, Speedie & Co., North Motherwell.
Motherwell Bridge Building Company, Limited.
Pott, Cassells, & Williamson, North Motherwell.
Russell, George, & Company, Park Street.

FANCY WAREHOUSES.

Brown, James, Windmillhill Street.
Hamer, R., 18 Watson Street.
Horton, Mrs, 9 Roman Road.

FARMERS.

Brown, Matthew, North Motherwell.
Ford, William, Netherjohnstone.
Hamilton, James, Braidhurst.
Hamilton, Robert, Low Motherwell.
Marshall, James, Airbles.
Smellie, James, Coursington.
Weir, James, Thorniesuit.

FISHMONGERS.

Johnstone Brothers, 44½ Brandon Street.
M'Leish, Andrew, 63 Brandon Street.

FLESHERS.

Anderson, Robert, 57 Brandon Street.
Brown, John, 170 Brandon Street.
Dalziel Co-Operative Society, Dalziel Street.
Donald, Robert, 126 Merry Street.
Eastmans Limited, 92 Brandon Street.
Edwards, Joseph, 61 Merry Street, and 12 Brandon Street.
Francis, John, pork butcher, 50 Windmillhill Street.
Gilmour, Benjamin, 11 and 13 Roman Road, and 120 Merry Street.
Gray, William H., New Logans.
Haddow, J., Walmer Terrace.
Jesson, Thomas, 110 Windmillhill Street.
Millar, A., 56 Brandon Street.
Murray, James, 72½ Windmillhill Street.

M'Cabe, Samuel, 168 Merry Street.
M'Dowall, William, 60 Muir Street, and 64 Calder Street.
Pollock, Walter, 128 Brandon Street.
Robertson, R., 351 Flemington.
Scott, G., 152 Muir Street.
Scoular, J. & D., 78 Muir Street.
Stewart, W., 15 Muir Street.
Walker, Robert, 83 Brandon Street.

FRUITERERS.

Brown, Wm., Flemington.
Davidson, John, 86 Merry Street.
Dawson, R., Watson Street.
Dolphin, Isaac, 94 Merry Street.
Dunlop, Robert, 66 Calder Street.
Forrest, E., 110 Brandon Street.
Gilchrist, E., 36 Brandon Street.
Ibbotson, Wm., 164 Brandon Street, and 72 Windmillhill Street.
Irvine, Mrs D., 56 Dalziel Street.
Jackson, John, 3 Cassells' Place.
Jamieson, Alex., 41 Windmillhill Street, and Glencairn Street.
Kelly, M., 145 Windmillhill Street.
Kerr, William, 150 Muir Street.
Lightbody, E., 345 Windmillhill Street.
Miller, William, 122 Merry Street.
Mullen, Hugh, 52 Ladywell Road.
M'Grorie, J., 39 Windmillhill Street.
M'Millan, Wm., 180 Brandon Street.
M'Skimming, William, 70 Merry Street.
Sempie, Mrs, 127 Brandon Street.
Tonks, William, Calder Street.
Treadwell, Mrs, 130 Windmillhill Street.
Weir, John, 20 Muir Street.
Wilson, John, 92 Muir Street.

FUNERAL UNDERTAKERS.

Baillie, Thomas, 122 Brandon Street.
Deacon, Robert, 76 Merry Street.
Wallace, William, Clyde Street.

FURNITURE DEALERS.

Banks, Thomas, 27 Windmillhill Street.
Cringan, Robert, 27 Muir Street.
Dalziel Co-Operative Society, Limited, Dalziel Street.
Lynch, Thomas, 89 Brandon Street.
M'Glade, Patrick, 178 Muir Street.
Rankin, John, 22 Windmillhill Street.
Simpson, James, Clyde Street.

GARDENERS.

Dunlop, Robert, 49 Abbotsford Place.
Martin, David, 137 Merry Street.
Roger, James, Afton Place.
Roger, jun., James, Calder Street.

GRAIN MERCHANTS.

Brown, John, 58 Windmillhill Street.
Marshall, George, 75 Brandon Street.

GROCERS.

Anderson, Mary Ann, Hope Street.
Baillie, John, 4 Windmillhill Street.
Begg, Alexander, 92 Airbles Street.
Bennett, Thomas W., 86 Muir Street.
Borland, Hugh (licensed), 37 Merry Street.
Borland, John, 386 and 388 Craigneuk.
Brodie, John, 92 Caledonian Street.
Brown, John, 58 Windmillhill Street.
Bryce, Edward, Windmillhill Street.
Burns, Mrs, 70 Park Street.
Cameron, David, Crosshill Street, and 103 Roman Road.
Central Supply Co., Watson Street.
Clark, J., Crosshill Street.
Cooper & Co., 12 Merry Street.
Co-Operative Society, Limited, Dalziel Street. Branches—82 Caledonian Street, 59 Windmillhill Street, Hamilton Street, Hope Street, Craigneuk, and New Stevenston.
Currie, Buchanan, 7 Muir Street.
Davidson, John, 40 Merry Street.

Dick, John, 122 Caledonian Street.
Donnelly, R., 22 Milton Street.
Drummond, J., 176 Brandon Street.
Edwards, Joseph, 61 Merry Street.
Egan, Bernard, 164 Muir Street (licensed).
Fleming, John, 104 Brandon Street.
Fletcher & Sons, 158 Windmillhill Street.
Foulis, Robert C., 18 Brandon Street.
Fraser, A., 19 Muir Street.
George, William, 64 Muir Street.
Gibson, Geo., 7 Windmillhill Street.
Gilmour, Benjamin, 116 Merry Street, 115 Roman Road, and Carfin.
Gilmour, William (licensed), 98 Muir Street.
Gray, William H., North Motherwell Store.
Hamilton, John (licensed), 110 Caledonian Street.
Hamilton, John, 80 Milton Street.
Hughes, Thomas, 54 Muir Street.
Hynds, Fred., 1 Globe Buildings.
Jackson, John, 107 Roman Road.
Lawrie, Robert (licensed), 132 Merry Street.
Lawson, James (licensed), 31 Park Street.
Lawson, John (licensed), 34 Hope Street.
Lightbody, John D., 74 Merry Street.
Love's Market, 107 Brandon Street.
Low, William, & Co., 14 Brandon Street.
Miller, James, 6 Muir Street.
Monteith, Archd., Walmer Terrace, Windmillhill Street.
M'Cabe, Samuel, 108 Merry Street.
M'Corkindale, Mrs, 3 Hope Street.
Macneill, William (licensed), 135 Windmillhill Street.
Prenter, George, 168 Merry Street.
Prentice, T. (licensed), Camp.
Quinn, Miss M., 122 Caledonian Street.
Ramsay, William, 55 Merry Street.
Ralston, Mrs 146 Windmillhill Street.
Robinson, John, 174 Muir Street.
Russell, Alexander, 122 Brandon Street.
Somers, John, Fairfield Place.
Struthers, John, 88 Brandon Street.

Thomson, A. J., 50 Windmillhill Street.
Turnbull, Peter, 58 Brandon Street.
Waugh & Co., 28 Brandon Street.
White, Robert, 164 Merry Street.
Weir, Robert, 130 Brandon Street.
Whiteside & Co., 99 Brandon Street and Flemington.
Wotherspoon, Gavin, 162 Brandon Street.
Young, John, 42 Calder Street.

HAIRDRESSERS.

Guthrie, Jane, 124 Merry Street.
Herdman, J., 47 Windmillhill Street.
Ibbotson, W., 46 Windmillhill Street.
Mincher, R., 56 Muir Street.
M'Guffie, Kate, 72 Brandon Street.
M'Intyre, E., 12 Clyde Street, 59 Brandon Street, and 174 Brandon Street.
M'Intyre, John, 49 Merry Street.
Smith, T. R., 342 Flemington, 111 Roman Road, and 14 Merry Street.

HARDWARE MERCHANTS.

Hamer, R., 18 Watson Street.
Lynch, Thomas, 89 Brandon Street.
M'Millan, Daniel, 182 Brandon Street.
Paterson, G., 146 Muir Street.
Rankin, John, 22 Windmillhill Street.
Simpson, James, 34 Brandon Street.
Swift, Edward, 126 Muir Street.
Young, John, 28 Calder Street.

HATTERS AND HOSIERS.

Bennett, J. W. (and general draper), 5 Brandon Street.
Fisher, Duncan, 30 Brandon Street.
Forsyth Brothers, 5 Muir Street.
Frood, J., 52 Muir Street, and 172 Brandon Street.
Hosiery Emporium, 20 Clyde Street.
M'Lees, T. Stewart & Co., 106 Brandon Street.
Smith Brothers, 134 Brandon Street.

HERBALISTS.

Stewart, James, 84 Muir Street.
Hendrie, J., 41 Windmillhill Street.

ICE CREAM MANUFACTURERS.

Boni, E., Clyde Street.
Lenzini, G., 62 Muir Street, and 110 Merry Street.
Giuliania, Leopoldi, 142 Brandon Street.
Rossa, Valvona, 13 Merry Street, and 95 Brandon Street.

INSPECTOR OF POOR.

Miller, John, Office, Town Hall.

IRON FORGERS.

Brown, James, Albert Street.
Sommerville, John, Park Street.

IRONMASTERS AND MANUFACTURERS.

Colville, David, & Sons, Ltd., Dalzell Iron and Steel Works.
Etna Iron and Steel Coy., Ltd., Flemington.
Glasgow Iron and Steel Coy., Milton Street.
Lanarkshire Steel Coy., Ltd.
Miller, A. & T., Globe Works.

IRONMONGERS.

Black, John, 72 Merry Street.
Kerr, John, 24 and 68 Muir Street.
Muir, Robert L., 68 Brandon Street.
Macdonald, Andrew, jun., 80 Brandon Street.
Russell, John, 184 Brandon Street.

JEWELLERS—(See Watchmakers).

JOINERS—(See Wrights).

LEATHER MERCHANTS.

Gillon & Gibson, 59 Merry Street.

MASONS AND BUILDERS.

Miller & Ferguson, Windmillhill Street.
Park, R., Hamilton Street.
Sym, Alexander, Airbles Street.

MEASURER.

Harvie, William, Union Street.

MILLINERS AND DRESSMAKERS.

Anderson, H. V., & Sons, 8 Clyde Street.
Anderson, Thos., 105 Brandon Street.
Baillie, M. & A., Hamilton Place, Brandon Street.
Christie, J. W., 108 and 110 Muir Street, and 66 Windmillhill Street.
Clark, David, 146 Muir Street.
Dalziel Co-Operative Society, Limited, Dalziel Street.
Duncan, Thomas, Brandon Street.
Findlay, T. W., 46 Brandon Street.
Halliday, 113 Brandon Street.
Hamilton, Agnes, 94 Merry Street.
Jardine, A., 62 Windmillhill Street.
Napier, J., 70 Brandon Street.
Ross, E. & M., 26 Brandon Street.
Scott, M., 156 Merry Street.

MINING ENGINEER.

Wilson, Andrew, Commercial Bank, Windmillhill Street.

OVERSMEN.

Brown, Archibald, Coursington Street.
Dalziel, John, 5 Parkhead Street.
Danks, John, Scott Street.
Laidlaw, Thomas, Windmillhill Street.
Morton, Andrew, 16 Farm Road.
Rennie, Clayton, 205 Windmillhill Street.
Roberts, John, Calder Street.

PAINTERS AND PAPERHANGERS.

Clow, James, 36 Hope Street.
Ferguson, Daniel, 175 Windmillhill Street.
Gray, W. P., & Co., 77 Merry Street.
Kemp, Alexander, 103 Merry Street.
Waddell, J. R., 14 Clyde Street.
Watson, George B., Melville Drive.

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Johnstone, Robert, 19 Park Street.
Rankine, George S., Hope Street, and 10 Muir Street.
Small, Patrick, 15 Park Street.
Tyrell, Hugh, 178 Brandon Street.

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Kirkwood, J. T., 16 Clyde Street.
Sinclair, J. G., 8 Clyde Street.

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Downs, W. Campbell, Helensville, Hamilton Road.
Edwards, Alex., Belvidere, Avon Street.
Forrest, John, Calderview, Merry Street.
Fotheringham, John, Rosshill, Hamilton Road.
Jack, R. P., 20 Brandon Street.
Jones, David, Tirlees House, Brandon Street.
Kay, Adam, 21 Windmillhill Street.
M'Donald, James, Hamilton Place, Brandon Street.
Robertson, R., Windmillhill Street.
Stevenson, James, Crosshill Cottage, Brandon Street.

PICTURE FRAMERS.

Gray, James, 74 Brandon Street.
Herdman, John, 56 Windmillhill Street.
M'Millan, 7 Clyde Street.

PLASTERERS—(See Slaters and Plasterers.)

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Alston, John, 48 Brandon Street.
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Baird, Robert, 42 Brandon Street.
Kerr, John, 68 Muir Street.
Macdonald, Andrew, jun., 80 Brandon Street.
Naismith, James, Brandon Street.
Parker, James, Airbles Street.
Watson, G. B., Miller Street.
Young, James, 11 Merry Street.

POST OFFICE.

Robertson, A. M'K., postmaster, Clyde Street. (See separate information.)

PRINTERS.

Cameron, Kenneth, 84 Merry Street.
Love & Wilson, "Standard," 70 Hamilton Street.
Meikle, John, 48 Brandon Street.

QUARRY-MASTERS.

King, Thos., & Co., Bellside and Greenhill Quarries—Offices, 11 Merry Street.

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Sneddon, George, 8 Merry Street. (See separate information.)

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Hinshalwood, Robert L., 4 Afton Place.
Love, Hugh, "Standard" Office, Hamilton Street.
Mackenzie, A. G., High Road.
Wilson, James, "Standard" Office, Hamilton Street.
Watson, W. S., 34 Hamilton Street.

RESTAURATEURS.

Barr, George, 66 Brandon Street.
Buchanan, Jessie and Mary, 13 Muir Street.
Bulloch, Elizabeth, 172 Muir Street.
Collins, James, 2 Brandon Street.

Colquhoun, Wm., 40 Brandon Street.
Cusick, T., 28 Muir Street.
Donaldson, Wm., 104 Muir Street.
Robb, Thomas, 5 Merry Street.
Kane, P., Flemington.

SADDLERS.

M'Kendrick, James, 22 Muir Street.
Young, John, 65 Merry Street.

SANITARY INSPECTOR.

Currie, James. Office—Farm, High Road.

SCULPTOR.

Kirkland, James, Airbles Street.

SEED MERCHANTS.

Black, John, 72 Merry Street.
Macdonald, Andrew, 80 Brandon Street.
Muir, Robert L., 68 Brandon Street.
Russell, John, 162 Brandon Street.

SEWING MACHINE AGENTS.

Singer Co., 15 Merry Street.

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SHOEMAKERS—(See Boot and Shoemakers.)

SHOVEL MAKERS—(See Spade Makers.)

SILK MANUFACTURERS.

Anderson & Robertson, Ltd., Airbles Street.

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Craig, James, 145 Brandon Street.
Johnstone, Robert, 122 Brandon Street.

M'Kenna, F., Windmillhill Street.
M'Lean, Hugh, Hamilton Street.
Swan, Robert, Hamilton Street.
Thomson, James, 79 Merry Street.

SOLICITORS.

Burns, James, 18 Clyde Street.
Campbell, Thomas H., British Linen Bank, Muir Street.
Miller, Wm., Clyde Street.
Murray, John K., 8 Merry Street.
M'Queen, Adam, 3 Merry Street.
Sneddon, George T., 8 Merry Street.
Stratton, Wm., Avon Street.
King, William, 3 Merry Street.
Wright, Alexander L.

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Banks, James Y., Albert Street.
Brown, James, Albert Street.
Donald, Robert, Holm Mill Forge.
Sommerville, John, Park Street.

SPIRIT-DEALERS.

Baillie, D., 124 Brandon Street.
Baillie, John, 180 Muir Street.
Baillie, Mrs Wm., Railway Tavern, 17 Merry Street.
Bennet, T. H., 96 Muir Street, and 18 Watson Street.
Black, James, 86 Caledonian Street.
Campbell, John, Melville Drive.
Chassells, M., Windmillhill Street.
Currie, James, 96 Brandon Street.
Dick, W. H., 89 Windmillhill Street.
Duffy, William, Royal Hotel, 49 Brandon Street.
Dyer, Wm. L., 81 Merry Street.
Ferguson, John, 130 Merry Street.
Garvie, John D., 43 Windmillhill Street.
Goodwin, Edward, 174 Merry Street.
Hamilton, David, 11 Muir Street.
Hamilton, John, 76 Milton Street.

Hamilton, Wm., 2 Brandon Street.
Kelly, James, 107 Merry Street.
Kilmartin, William, 75 Windmillhill Street.
Maclachlan, George, 166 Muir Street.
Maclachlan, John, 1 and 3 Muir Street, 168 Brandon Street, and Finnie Place, Flemington.
M'Donald, D., 60 Merry Street.
M'Lauchlan Brothers, 1 Brandon Street.
Nicol, Balfour S., 88 Caledonian Street.
Quirk, Thos. J., 174 Windmillhill Street.
Robison, James, 132 Muir Street.
Shields, Robert, 166 Muir Street.
Smith, J. T., 5 and 20 Milton Street.
Weir, Robert, 78 Brandon Street.

STATIONERS—(See Booksellers.)

SURGEONS—(See Physicians.)

TAILORS AND CLOTHIERS.

Anderson, H. V., & Sons, Clyde Street.
Bain, John, 53 Brandon Street.
Borland, James, 32 Brandon Street.
Bryce, James, 97 Brandon Street.
Dalziel Co-Operative Society, Limited, Dalziel Street.
Dunlop, A. W., 4 Brandon Street.
Ford & Co., 5 Watson Street.
Fraser, Joseph, 7 Park Street.
Hawthorn, G., 390 Flemington.
Hislop, John, 46 Merry Street.
Johnstone, Thomas, 58b Muir Street.
Leeds Clothing Co., 50 Brandon Street.
Macdonald, Alex., Finnie Place, Windmillhill Street.
Mincher, James, 80 Muir Street.
Murray, Nelson, 128 Merry Street.
M'Lees, T. S., 106 Brandon Street and 10 Windmillhill Street.
M'Leod, William, 21 Muir Street.
M'Neil, John, 53 Albert Street.
Napier, John, 70 Brandon Street.

Nimmo, George, 62 Brandon Street.
Robertson, J., 42 Merry Street.
Weir, Robert, 130 Muir Street.

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Hamilton, John, 10 Merry Street.
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Welsh, Archibald, 64 Brandon Street.
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Chambers, William, & Co., Park Street.
Kidd, Walter, Windmillhill Street.
Miller, Thomas, Hamilton Street.
Muirhead & Ferguson, Windmillhill.

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Aikman, George, Charnwood, Crawford Street.
Allan, James B., Ferndean, Crawford Street.
Alston, John, Gowanbrae, Wilson Street.
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Anderson, H. V., Park View, Jerviston Street.
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Borland, James, Corsehill, Crawford Street.
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Burns, James, Stanley Villa, Hamilton Road.
Burns, Rev. Joseph, Wilson Street.
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Cameron, Hugh, Wellbeck Cottage, Crawford Street.
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Campbell, S. H., Elenslee, Wilson Street.
Campbell, T. H., Bank House, Muir Street.
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Chambers, William, Glenview, Jerviston Street.
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Collins, Rev. Daniel, Chapel House, Coursington Street.
Collins, James, 15 Union Street.
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Colville, David, Jerviston House.
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Cook, John, Lilybank, Union Street.
Cormack, Alexander, 22 Union Street.
Cowan, James, Brandon Cottage, Milton Street.
Cowan, James, 14 Union Street.
Cowan, Samuel, 16 Union Street.
Cowie, Joseph, 198 Merry Street.
Crawford, James, Fairy Glen, Orchard Street.
Currie, James, Rosedean, Hamilton Road.
Currie, William, Crossview, Hamilton Road.
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Dewar, Rev James, Clason Memorial F.C. Manse, Knowetop.
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Fotheringham, Dr., Rosshill, Hamilton Road.
Foulis, R. C., Roseberry, Orchard Street.
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Gray, James, Gartlea, Orchard Street.
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Jennings, Thomas, Carrick, Wilson Street.
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Kay, William, Westerton, Avon Street.
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King, Archibald, 18 Muir Street.
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Lang, Robert, Merry Street.
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Marshall, John, The Orchard, Orchard Street.
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Macdonald, Angus, Dechmont View, Orchard Street.
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M'Farlane, James, Annislea, Wishaw Back Road.
M'Geachen, John, 5 Clyde Street.
M'Kay, James, Calder Place.
Mackenzie, John, 3 Maryfield Place, High Road.
Mackendrick, James, Glendyne, Douglas Street.
Mackintosh, Rev. John, Sunnyside, Crawford Street.
M'Kirdy, Robert, Rowantree, Crawford Street.
MacLaren, Colin F., Carridon, Orchard Street.
M'Lees, T. Stuart, Walron, Cameron Street.
MacLeod, William, Dunuran, Douglas Street.
M'Millan, D. T., Schoolhouse, 62 Hamilton Street.
M'Phail, James, North Motherwell Colliery Cottage.

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M'Roberts, William, 36 Muir Street.
M'Skimming, James, Ambleside, Orchard Street.
M'Skimming, Mrs, Crawford Street.
M'Skimming, William, 47 Merry Street.
M'Whiney, John, Auburn Cottage, Wilson Street.
Nicoll, Mrs, Cloverhill, Orchard Street.
Orr, John, Nessville, Avon Street.
Paton, John, Crawford Street.
Park, Robert, 10 Hamilton Street.
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Purdie, William, Burncliffe, Jerviston Street.
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Robb, Thomas, Glenellan, Jerviston Street.
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Robertson, John S., Burnside, Wilson Street.
Robertson, D. W., Janefield, Wilson Street.
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Rogers, James, Newlea, Crawford Street.
Rose, Mrs, East Neuk, Cameron Street.
Russell, James, Crosshill House, Brandon Street.
Russell, James, Mansefield, Orchard Street.
Russell, John, Fairfield, Wilson Street.
Scott, Rev. David, E.C. Manse, Dalziel, off Merry Street.
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Semple, William, Union Street.
Smith, William, Glenavon, Orchard Street.
Sneddon, George, 135 Merry Street.
Stalker, John, Glenartney, Orchard Street.
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Stevenson, R. H., Viewbank, Dalziel Street.
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Thomson, Mrs, Glencroft, Orchard Street.
Thomson, William, 20 Union Street.
Thomson, W. Meiklem, Motherwell House.
Tudhope, Mrs, Dellburn, Jerviston Street.
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Walker, John, Strathview, Orchard Street.
Wallace, Mrs Jane, Mossgiel, Crawford Street.
Wardle, James, Orchard Street.
Watson, Mrs Thomas, Watsonville Cottage, Brandon Street.
Weir, Mrs, Cidhmor, Hamilton Road.
Weir, Robert, Woodbank, Jerviston Street.
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White, William, Cemetery Cottage.
Whiteside, William, Woodruff Cottage, Windmillhill Street.
Wightman, William, Greenhill, Crawford Street.
Wilson, Andrew, Burngrange.
Wilson, Andrew, Viewbank, Dalziel Street.
Wilson, John, Park Cottage, Windmillhill Street.
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HOURS OF BUSINESS.

Ordinary business,	7 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Sundays,	8 a.m. to 10 a.m.
Money Orders issued and paid, and Inland Revenue Licenses issued,	8 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Savings Bank, Government Annuity and Insurance business transacted,	8 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Postal Orders issued and paid,	7 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Telegraph business transacted,	7 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Sundays,	8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

DESPATCHES.—WEEK DAYS.

6.30 a.m.,	To all parts
9.55 ,,	To all parts
11.30 ,,	To all parts
12.55 p.m.	To all parts
3.30 ,,	To Edinburgh, Glasgow, and Cleland
5.10 ,,	To Glasgow, North, West of Scotland, and North of Ireland.
5.30 ,,	To Hamilton, Coatbridge, London and the South and Foreign.
6.0 ,,	To London and the South and Foreign
7.35 ,,	To Glasgow, West of Scotland, and Ireland
9.0 ,,	To all parts
Sundays, 8.45 p.m.,	To all parts

Letters to be Registered must be handed in half an hour earlier.

Arrivals.	Deliveries.
South, Carlisle, and Edinburgh, 5.31 ; Glasgow 5.56 a.m.	7 a.m.
Glasgow, - - - - - - - 10.36 a.m.	1.30 p.m.
Hamilton, 1.2 ; Glasgow, 1.10 p.m., - - - - -	1.30 p.m.
Glasgow, 4.0 p.m. - - 4.30 p.m. (main streets only),	6.40 p.m.
Mossend, Holytown, 5.10 p.m., - - - - - -	,,
Wishaw, Hamilton, and South, 5.40 p.m., - - -	,,
Edinburgh, 6.6 p.m., - - - - - - - - -	,,
North, 6.5 p.m., - - - - - - - - - -	,,
Glasgow, 6.17 p.m., - - - - - - - - -	,,
Holytown, 8.10 p.m., - - - - - - - - -	7.0 a.m.
Glasgow, 9.35 p.m., - - - - - - - - -	,,
Hamilton, 9.35 p m , - - - - - - - - -	,,
Deliveries at Carfin and Newarthill, - - 7.0 a.m. and	4.30 p.m.

£1 1s per year is charged for a box at the Post Office, when letters may be called for after each arrival.

Pillar Letter Boxes Cleared.

Brandon Street, - -	5.20, 8.45, 11.20 a.m., 2.25, 4.30, 7.55 p.m.
Caledonian Street, - - - -	8 a.m., 2.5, 4.30, 7.20 p.m.
Corner Leslie Street, - -	5.25, 7.15, 11.30 a.m., 2.0 4.40, 7.5 p.m.
Flemington, - - - - -	9.30 a.m., 2.10, 7.50 p.m.
Globe Buildings, - - - -	7.45 a.m., 1.45, 6.45 p.m.
Muir Street, - -	5.40, 8.25, 11.30 a.m., 2.25, 4.35, 7.35 p.m.
Oakfield Place, - -	5.30, 8.40, 11.15 a.m., 2.20, 4.25, 7.50 p.m.
Windmillhill, T.S.O.,	5.30, 8.40, 11.15 a.m., 2.20, 4.25, 7.50 p.m.
Craigneuk T.S.O. - - - -	9 a.m., 2 30 p.m., 7.30 p.m.

Sundays—Brandon Street, 7.30 p.m. ; Flemington, 7.10 p.m. ; Oakfield Place, 7.40 p.m. ; Windmillhill, T.S.O., 7.40 p.m. ; Craigneuk, T.S.O., 7.0 p.m.

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Letters.

The rates of postage, when prepaid, are as follows :—For a letter not above 4 oz. 1d, and ½d every additional 2 oz. Registered letters, 2d additional.

A letter posted unpaid is chargeable on delivery with double postage, and a letter posted insufficiently prepaid is chargeable with double the deficiency.

No letter may be above 2 feet in length, 1 foot in width, or 1 foot in depth, unless it be sent to or from one of the Government Offices.

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The rate of postage is as follows:—Weighing not more than 2 oz., ½d; weighing more than 2 oz. and not exceeding 4 oz., 1d; and so on—a half-penny being added for every 2 oz. or fraction thereof. Packets posted unpaid will be charged double these rates. Weight must not exceed 5lbs. Dimensions same as letters.

Parcels Post.

The rates of postage for parcels are—not exceeding 1lb., 3d; 2, 4d; 3, 5d; 4, 6d; 5, 7d; 6, 8d; 7, 9d; 8, 10d; 9, 11d; 11, 1s.

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Money Orders.

Money orders are granted at the following rates:—Not exceeding £1, 2d; £1 to £3, 3d; £3 to £10, 4d. Money orders on places abroad—Not exceeding £2, 6d; £2 to £6, 1s; £6 to £10, 1s 6d.

Postal orders are issued at the following rates:—For sums of 1s and 1s 6d, ½d; 2s, 2s 6d, 3s, 3s 6d, 4s, 4s 6d, 5s, 7s 6d, 10s, 10s 6d, 1d; 15s and 20s, 1½d.

Postage stamps may be affixed to the face of Postal Orders to make up broken sums not exceeding 5d on each order.

Savings Bank.

Interest at the rate of 2½% is given on deposits of £1 and upwards.

Holidays.

No money order, savings bank, or postal order business is transacted on the Factory Act Holidays, the Queen's Birthday, and the General Public Works Holiday in June.

LOCAL INFORMATION.

AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION.

Ambulance Waggon stationed in yard of the Brandon Stables, Clyde Street, and available at any time by day or night. Under management of the Commissioners of the Burgh. Secretary and Treasurer, James Burns, Town Clerk, 18 Clyde Street.

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Commercial, Windmillhill Street—Agent, Geo. Fraser; Teller, Wm. Ballantyne.

Clydesdale, Clyde Street—Agent, John MacGeachin; Teller, W. B. Paton.

National, Cross—Agent, James Russell; Teller, Titus Low.

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BIBLE SOCIETY.

National Bible Society of Scotland.—*Motherwell Auxiliary*—President, Rev. David Scott; Treasurer, Robert Jack, Bank of Scotland, Secretary, Rev. T. F. Whillas, Dalziel U.P. Church Manse.

BOWLING CLUBS.

DALZIEL.—Green, Windmillhill.—President, John Houston; Treasurer, T. G. Hamilton; Secretary, Thomas Deans, 328 Flemington.

MOTHERWELL.—Green, High Road—President, Jos. Graham; Treasurer, R. Cringan; Secretary, William Miller, Clyde Street; Green-keeper, James Rodger, jun.

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BRITISH WOMEN'S TEMPERANCE ASSOCIATION.

President, Mrs John Colville; Treasurer, Miss Edwards; Joint-Secretaries, Mrs Currie, Crossview, Hamilton Road, and Miss Edwards, Belvidere, Avon Street.

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BUILDING SOCIETY.

"ECONOMIC."—Hon. President, John Colville, Esq., M.P.; Surveyor, Alex. Cullen, architect, Clyde Street; Secretary, James Burns, 18 Clyde Street.

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BURGH OFFICIALS.

Town Clerk, James Burns; Treasurer, Jas. Miller; Collector, James M'Callum (office, Town Hall); Burgh Prosecutor, A. L. Wright; Burgh Engineer, James M'Callum, C.E.; Medical Officer, John Forrest, M.D.; Sanitary Inspector, James Currie (office, High Road); Water Superintendent, James Dale; Superintendent of Slaughterhouse, Alexander Smith; Surface Foreman, Hector Macdonald.

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CALEDONIAN RAILWAY.

Chief Inspector, Thos. Anderson, Muir Street; Stationmaster, Wm. M'Roberts, Muir Street; Goods Superintendent, Wm. G. Auld, Melville Drive; Mineral Superintendent, James Carmichael, Merry Street; Chief Mineral Inspector, Thomas Morton, Muir Street; Locomotive Superintendent, James Roberts, Muir Street; Engineer Department, Robert Cunninghame.

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CARPET BOWLING CLUB.

President, Robert Lawrie; Treasurer, John Macintosh; Secretary, W. Bell, painter, Dalziel Street.

CARRIER.

THOMAS WATSON, Brandon Street. Leaves Motherwell for Glasgow several times daily. Leaves 61 Osborne Street, Glasgow, 5 p.m. ; and 87 Argyle Street, 4.30 p.m. daily.

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CHARITY ORGANIZATION SOCIETY.

President, Lord Hamilton of Dalzell ; Chairman of Committee, Bailie Findlay ; Treasurer, Andrew Wilson, C.E. ; Secretary, Wm. Bell, 17 Muir Street.

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CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS, &c.

DALZIEL PARISH CHURCH.—Minister, Rev. David Scott, B.D.; Assistants, Rev. Patrick Riddell, B.D., Rev. Wm. Smith, B.D. ; Session Clerk, George Sneddon ; Organist and Choirmaster, T. N. Burness ; Church Officer, Robert Inglis, Parish Halls. *Sunday School*—Superintendents—Church, Rev. David Scott ; Watsonville, Rev. W. Smith ; Parkneuk, H. Merry ; North Motherwell, Rev. P. Riddell. *Young Men's Guild*—Secretary, John Henry, Caledonian Buildings. *Bible Class*—Teacher, Rev. David Scott ; Secretary, John Henry. *Women's Guild*—President, Mrs Scott, The Manse ; Secretary and Treasurer, Miss Lizzie Miller, Hamilton Street. *Young Men's Club*—Secretary, Hugh Reid, Coursington Street. *Literary Society*—Secretary, John Martin, Ladywell Road. *Male Voice Choir*—Conductor, W. B. Herd, Clyde Street.

SOUTH DALZIEL PARISH CHURCH.—Minister, Rev. Duff Macdonald, B.D. (to whom parties should apply for proclamation of banns) ; Assistant Minister, Rev. J. D. Mackenzie, 13 Airbles St.; Treasurer, James Hamilton, jr. ; Clerk, Wm. Thomson, 108 Windmillhill Street ; Precentor—Francis Leckie ; Church Officer, George Muirden, 83 Windmillhill Street. *Young Men's Guild*—President, Robt. S. Wilson. *Sabbath School*—Superintendent, Robt. S. Wilson. *Women's Guild*—President, Mrs M'Donald. *Knowetop Hall Sunday School*—Teachers, Miss Moodie and Miss Miller.

DALZIEL FREE CHURCH.—Ministers, Rev. David Ogilvy, D.D., and Rev. Thomas Marshall, M.A. ; Clerk to Kirk Session, William Miller ; Clerk of Deacons' Court and Treasurer of Sustentation Fund, John Stalker ; Treasurer of Congregational Funds, Alex. Morrison ; Precentor, William Ramsay ; Church Officer, Andrew Nicol, 79 Hamilton Street. *Sabbath School*—Superintendent, W. R. Barbour ; Secretary, Thos. Murie. *Foreign Missions*—Treasurer, Arch. Struthers. *Seat-Letting Committee*—Convener, A. Morrison. *Dorcas Society*—Treasurer, Miss Bow. *Ladies' Working Party*—Convener, Mrs Marshall, The Manse. *Y.M.C.A.*—President, John Craig ; Secretary, John Harkness. *Welfare of Youth Scheme*—

Conductor, Mrs Stalker. *Y. W. C. A.*—President, Mrs Marshall; Secretary, Miss Foulis. *Literary Society*—President, J. C. Harvie; Secretary, John Scorgie. *Temperance Society*—President, D. M. Duncan; Secretary, Miss A. Edgar. *Band of Hope*—President, Andrew Morton. *Christian Endeavour*—President, A. Struthers; Secretary, Joseph Moore. *Editor of Record*—J. C. Harvie.

Clason Memorial Free Church. — Minister, Rev. James Dewar; Clerk to Kirk Session, Daniel Macmillan; Clerk to Deacon's Court, David Lockhart; General Treasurer, Andrew Gray; Sustentation Treasurer, David Macdonald; Building Fund Treasurers, David Lockhart and James M'Skimming; Precentor, David Kerr, Bazaar Cottage, Craigneuk. *Bible Class*—Teacher, Rev. James Dewar; Secretary, John Kinnaird, 242 Merry Street; Treasurer, William Jackson, 12 Crosshill Street. *Sabbath School*—Superintendents, Rev. James Dewar and D G. Lewis; Secretary, D. Macdonald, 35 Camp Street; Treasurer, Archibald Annan, Coursington Street. *Y. M. C. A.*—President, James Dempster, Fordyce Place, Coursington Street; Secretary, D. J. Love, Cessnock, Crawford Street; Treasurer, James Mather, 58 Airbles Street. *Y. P. S. C. E.*—President, Thomas Mathie, Ladywell; Secretary, Miss Tevendale, 102 Windmillhill Street; Treasurer, Miss Marion Kinnaird, 242 Merry Street. *Band of Hope*—President, David Macmillan; Secretary, Reuben Lawman; Treasurer, John Moffat. *Onward and Upward Association*—President, Mrs Dewar, The Manse; Secretary, Mrs M'Skimming, Glenalton, Orchard Street.

Motherwell U. P. Church. — Minister, Rev. A. W. Carmichael; Session Clerk, Thomas Johnstone, Calder Street; Hon. Preses, James Russell; Preses, James M'Kendrick; Clerk of Managers, John Neilson; Treasurer, James Burns; Church Officer, William Paterson, Church Halls. *Sabbath School and Band of Hope*—Superintendent, T. M. Sharp. *Y. M. C. A.*—President, Wm. Maxwell; Secretary, James Johnstone, Hope Street. *Y. W. C. A.*—President, Rev. A. W. Carmichael; Secretary, Miss Christina Hamilton, 117 Brandon Street. *Choir and Musical Association*—Conductor, William Smart.

Dalziel U.P. Church.—Minister, Rev. T. F. Whillas, B.D.; Missionary, James Thorburn; Preses, Andrew Wilson; Treasurer, Alexander Findlay; Clerk of Managers, Robert Rorrison; Choirmaster, George H. D. Sutherland; Church Officer, David Bryden, Melville Drive. *Y. M. C. A.*—President, Edward M'Intyre; Secretaries, William Reid and John Whillas. *Y. P. S. C. E.*—President, Rev. T. F. Whillas; Secretary, Matthew Reid. *Band of Hope*—Superintendent, William Brimlow. *Total Abstinence Society*—President, Rev. T. F. Whillas; Secretary, John Whillas. *Zenana Sewing Class*—President, Mrs Burgess; Secretary, Mrs Reid.

Evangelical Union Church.—Minister, Rev. John Mackintosh; Secretary, Robert Weir, Woodbank, Jerviston Street; President, John Wilson; Secretary of Church Managers' Court, John Murray, Airbles Street; Treasurer, Alexander M'Vittie, North Orchard Street; Choir Leader, David Robertson; Organist, Thomas W. Findlay. *Y.M.C.A.*—Secretary, John Mitchell, Coursington Road.

Baptist Church.—Minister, Rev. Joseph Burns; Secretary of Deacon's Court, Joseph Orr, 89 Camp Street; Treasurer, John Morrison. *Sunday School* Superintendent, Joseph Orr; Secretary, William Hamilton. *Bible Class*—Leader, Rev. J. Burns. *Fellowship Meeting*—Chairman, John Miller. *Band of Hope*—Superintendent, J. T. Kirkwood.

Primitive Methodist Church. — Minister, Rev. Robert Clemitson; Circuit Steward, Henry Jesson; Society Steward and Church Officer, Edward Swift. *School*—Superintendent, William Deacon; Secretary for Trustees, James Pugh; Treasurer for Trustees, William Mincher.

Union Church (M'Alpine's Buildings, Roman Road).—Minister, Rev. R. S. Bowie; Church Council—James Allan, Robert Cowie, Peter Black, James Campbell, Lawson Black, Donald M'Kenzie; Clerk and Treasurer, William Downs.

Holy Trinity Episcopal Church.—Priest-in-Charge, Rev. Lennox R. Gloag; Vestry—C. H. Dunderdale, A. Lappin, J. T. Brassington, W. Hotchkiss, G. Revell, C. Ward, George Fraser; Organist, Miss Paterson.

Roman Catholic Churches.—*Our Lady of Good Aid*—Priest, Very Rev. Dean Taylor; Assistants, Rev. Daniel Collins, and Rev. John Greed. *Craigneuk Mission*—Priest, Rev. George W. Ritchie; Assistants, Rev. W. Kelly, and Rev. G. Shaw.

Lanarkshire Christian Union.—Honorary President, James S. Napier, Glasgow; President, John Colville, M.P., Motherwell; Honorary Treasurer, William Currie, Crossview, Motherwell; Secretary, John Bissett, Christian Institute, Motherwell; Evangelists, Messrs M. Ferguson and F. A. Leeder; Sisters, Misses Telfer, M'Kenzie, and M'Iver.

Working Boys' and Girls' Religious Society.—Honorary President, Lord Hamilton of Dalzell; President, John Colville, M.P.; Treasurer, Andrew Wilson, Viewbank; Secretary, William King, Maryfield Place.

Motherwell United Young Men's Christian Association (Instituted 1885: Eight Branches).—Honorary President, John Colville, M.P.; Honorary Secretary, James Burns, Town Clerk; Honorary Treasurer, Ex-Bailie Findlay; President, H. Macdonald; Secretary, John Craig, 28 Airbles Street; Treasurer, Alexander Merry.

YOUNG MEN'S INSTITUTE (Brandon Street).—Reading, Recreation, Reception and Sitting Rooms, Hall, Committee Rooms, Baths, Gymnasium, Restaurant, Telephone. All young men are cordially invited to the Institute and its privileges.

HALLELUJAH MISSION.—Secretary, Ralph Moon, Rosebank, Merry Street.

PLYMOUTH BRETHREN.—Meeting-House, Merry Street.

CHRISTADELPHIANS.—Meeting-Place, Town Hall.

SALVATION ARMY.—Barracks, Conservative Club Hall.

MOTHERWELL MIZPAH CHOIR (Instituted in 1884).—President, James Anderson, 144 Orbiston Street; Secretary, Matthew Reid, jun., 8 Parkneuk Place. Meet for practice in Free Church Hall, every Saturday, at six p.m.

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COMBINATION POORHOUSE.

For the Parishes of Cambusnethan, Bothwell, Dalziel, and Shotts.—Governor, James Reid; Matron, Mrs Reid; Clerk, John Logan, Solicitor, Wishaw.

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CONSERVATIVE ASSOCIATIONS.

NORTH-EAST LANARKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—President, R. King Stewart of Murdostoun; Convener of General Committee, John Cunninghame of Blairston; Secretary, John K. Murray, 8 Merry Street.

MOTHERWELL CONSERVATIVE ASSOCIATION.—President, J. F. Langlands, Orchard Street; Treasurer, John Hendrie; Secretary, J. K. Murray, 8 Merry Street.

MOTHERWELL CONSERVATIVE CLUB (Building situated at corner of Merry and Calder Streets).—Under management of a Board of Directors. Secretary, R. Cringan; Janitor, Robert Osborne.

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COUNTY COUNCILLORS.

Dalziel, The Hon. Gavin Hamilton; North Motherwell, Matthew Brown; Central Motherwell, Bailie Purdie; South Motherwell, John Colville, M.P. Parish Council Representative, Andrew Wilson, Burngrange.

CRICKET CLUB.

MOTHERWELL CRICKET CLUB.—Ground, Home Park (within Dalzell policies). Entrance, Knowetop Lodge only. Hon. President, Right Hon. Lord Hamilton of Dalzell; President, James Binner; Captain, T. Rae; Treasurer, David M'Gill; Secretary, James Hamilton.

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CURLING CLUBS.

DALZIEL.—Instituted in 1820. President, Robert Park; Treasurer, William Brownlee; Secretary, John Baillie, Railway Tavern, Merry Street.

MOTHERWELL.—Instituted, 1892. President, Wm. Chambers; Treasurer, William King; Secretary, John K. Murray, 8 Merry Street.

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CYCLING CLUBS.

MOTHERWELL.—Formed, 1884. President, John Cassie; Captain, William G. Herd; Secretary and Treasurer, James M'Gregor, The Mill. Membership, 95.

MOTHERWELL UNITED Y.M.C.A.—President, William Harvie; Captain, W. H. Frame; Bugler, John Hamilton; Secretary and Treasurer, T. M'Farlane Coursington Road. The Club meets at the Institute every Saturday between April and September inclusive, leaving at 3 p.m. Wednesday runs will be carried out between May and August inclusive, leaving the Institute at 7.30 p.m.

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DEAN OF GUILD COURT.

Sits on the first Monday of every month in the Court-Room, Town Hall. Dean of Guild, the Magistrates; Clerk, James Burns, Master of Works, James M'Callum; Fiscal, A. L. Wright.

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FEVER HOSPITAL.

Airbles Road, Motherwell. Matron, Miss M'Donald; Medical Officer, Dr Forrest.

FIRE BRIGADE.

James Dale, Superintendent, Burgh Buildings, 37 Crosshill Street; William Orr, 97 Hamilton Street; Andrew Struthers, 120 Brandon Street; James Young, 4 Smith's Land, Factory Road (off Airbles Street); Archibald Campbell, 85 Brandon Street; Robert Campbell, 2 Millburn Street (off Calder Street); John Wilkie, 71 Hamilton Street; Samuel Beattie, 42 Windmillhill Street; Hector M'Donald, 4 Miller Street (stair to left round back); David Scott, 155 Windmillhill Street; Arthur Miller, 23 Lochend Street; Thomas Martin, 33 Ladywell Road.

Fire Engine, &c., at Town Hall Buildings, High Road. Key with Mr Fleming, Town Hall Janitor, above engine house, or at Police Station. Horses with Mr William Wallace, Brandon Hotel Stables.

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FOOTBALL CLUBS.

Motherwell.—President, William H. Griffiths; Treasurer, John Fleming; Hon. Secretary, William H. Barrie, 59 Glencairn Street; Match Secretary, Thomas C. Watt, Afton Place. Colours, Royal Blue Shirts, White Knickers. Ground, Fir Park.

Motherwell (Glencairn XI)—Secretary, William Winning, 17 Orbiston Place, Windmillhill. Colours, Maroon. Ground, Fir Park.

Dalziel Rovers.—President, James Sneddon; Hon. Secretary, William Young; Hon. Treasurer, Robert Crichton; Match Secretary, James M'Lurg, 152 Windmillhill Street. Colours, Red and Black. Ground, Meadow Park.

Milton Rovers. — President, W. Hastie; Secretary, P. M'Ghan; Treasurer, T. Corbett; Match Secretary, C. Price, 4 Park Street. Ground, School Park, Milton Street.

Motherwell North End.—Ground, North Motherwell.

Motherwell Amateurs.—Ground, off Hamilton Road.

Hamilton Park.—Ground, Hamilton Road.

Motherwell Glencairn.—Ground, Fir Park.

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FORESTERS.

Court "Dalziel," No. 6177 (Glasgow District).—Instituted 1875. Lodge Room, Brandon Hall, Brandon Street. C.R., P. Lamb; Treasurer, T. Mann; Secretary, William Robertson, 117 Merry Street.

Irish National—"Thomas Francis Meacher" Branch, No. 116.—Instituted 1887. Lodge Room, Coursington Hall. C.R., Thomas Connolly; Treasurer, W. Holmes; Secretary, T. J. Jennings, 94 Airbles Street.

FREE GARDENERS.

"Thistle" Lodge, No. 39.—Instituted February, 1874. Lodge Room, Masons' Hall, Muir Street. R.W.M., James Currie; Treasurer, James Barr; Secretary. H. Dyer, 27 Park Street.

"Olive Branch" Lodge, No. 42, St. Andrew's Ancient Free Gardeners.—Instituted 1886. Lodge Room. Masonic Hall, Muir Street. R.W.M., Charles Campbell; Treasurer, Andrew Henderson; Secretary, Thomas Baxter, 97 Hamilton Street.

"Water Lily" Lodge, No. 71, St. Andrew's Order.—Instituted 1893. Lodge Room, Masons' Hall. Muir Street. R.W.M., James Williams; Treasurer, W. D. Hendrie; Secretary, Alexander M'Phail, 166 Muir Street.

"Wild Flower" Lodge.—Meets County Hall, Muir Street. Secretary, Gabriel Swan, 3 Watsonville.

"Vine Blossom" Lodge, No. 178, British Order of Ancient Free Gardeners.—Instituted November, 1888. Membership—Adults, 230; Juvenile Section, 70. Treasurer, Archibald Clarkson; Secretary, Andrew Struthers, 120 Brandon Street.

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FREE MASONS.

Lodge "St. John," Dalziel (No. 406).—Instituted 1860. Lodge-Room, Brandon Hall, Brandon Street. R.W.M., William M'Kean; Treasurer, R. Eglinton; Secretary, W. Watson.

Lodge "Livingston," St. Andrew (No. 573). — Instituted 1875. Lodge-Room, Masons' Hall, Muir Street. R.W.M., John Frood; Treasurer, Hugh O. Dunlop; Secretary, H. Dyer, 27 Park Street, Motherwell.

Scottish Masonic Veterans' Association.—President, Wm. M'Murdo; Vice-President, Arch. Turner; Treasurer, James Cameron; Secretary, Henry Dyer, 27 Park Street.

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GAS COMPANY.

Works and Office, Mill Road. Chairman, James Russell, J.P.; Outside Manager, John Fullarton; Secretary and Treasurer, Francis Leckie.

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GOLF CLUB.

Motherwell Golf Club.—Hon. President, Lord Hamilton of Dalzell; President, A. C. King; Captain, James H. Campbell; Hon. Secretary, C. R. Tevendale; Treasurer, J. M'Geachen, Clydesdale Bank.

GOOD TEMPLARS.

Upper Ward of Lanarkshire District Lodge (No. 34).—Meets periodically at different places in the district.

Subordinate Lodges.—"*Onward Star*" *(No. 174).*—Masons' Hall, Muir Street, Fridays, at 8 p.m. "*Caledonian Thistle*" *(No. 231).*—Good Templars' Hall, Parkhead Street, Thursdays, at 8 p.m. "*Nil Desperandum*" *(No. 427).*—Public School, Milton Street, Saturdays, at 8 p.m. "*Bird of Freedom*" *(No. 778).*—Good Templars' Hall, Craigneuk, Saturdays, at 7 p.m.

Juvenile Lodges.—"*Rising Bud*" *(No. 75).*—Masonic Hall, Muir Street, Friday, 6.30. "*Hope of Motherwell*" *(No. 58).*—Good Templars' Hall, Parkhead Street, Thursday, 6.45 p.m. "*Ark of Safety*" *(No. 538).*—Public School, Milton Street, Saturday, 6 p.m. "*The Nestling*" *(No. 232).*—Good Templars' Hall, Craigneuk, Monday, at 6 p.m.

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HARRIERS' CLUB.

Motherwell Harriers.—President, T. Davis; Captain, A. Pitt; Hon. Secretary, James M'Lean; Hon. Treasurer, L. L. French.

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IRISH NATIONAL LEAGUE.

"A. M. Sullivan" Branch.—Lodge-Room, Coursington Hall. President, T. Cusick; Treasurer, John Coyle; Secretary, Michael M'Gahan.

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JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

Motherwell District.—Cassells, D. Y., North Motherwell; Colville, Archibald, The Moorings; Colville, John, M.P., Yarrow; Findlay, Alexander, Bellfield; Forrest, Dr. John; Fraser, Alex., Forrest Cottage; Grieve, John, Bourtreehill; Hamilton of Dalzell, Lord; Hamilton, Hon. Gavin; Jack, Robert, Bank of Scotland; Langlands, John F., Orchard Street; Miller, A. T., Globe Iron Works; Russell, James, Crosshill House.

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LADIES' CLOTHING CLUB.

President, Hon. Miss Hamilton of Dalzell; Treasurer, Miss Jack; Secretary, Miss I. Addie, Braidhurst.

LANDLORDS' PROTECTION ASSOCIATION.

President, John Lawson ; Secretary and Treasurer, William King, writer, 3 Merry Street.

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LEAGUE OF THE CROSS TOTAL ABSTINENCE SOCIETY.

Motherwell Branch—Lodge and Recreation Room, Coursington Hall.—Spiritual director, Very Rev. John Taylor ; President, Michael G. Quinn ; Treasurer, Patrick Higgins ; Secretary, Michael M'Kenna, Millar Street.

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LIBERAL ASSOCIATIONS.

North-East Lanarkshire.—President, Lord Hamilton of Dalzell ; Treasurer, Bailie Findlay, Motherwell ; Secretary, James Burns, 18 Clyde Street.

Motherwell Liberal.—President, Lord Hamilton of Dalzell ; Treasurer and Secretary, A. L. Wright, Clyde Street.

Motherwell Liberal Reading Rooms—Rooms situated in Clyde Street.—President, Bailie Findlay ; Treasurer, A. L. Wright; Secretary, Henry Hull, Miller Street ; Janitor, Andrew Sharp.

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LIBERAL UNIONIST ASSOCIATION.

Motherwell Liberal Unionist.—Secretary and Treasurer, William King, writer, 3 Merry Street.

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LIBRARIES.

Dalziel Co-operative Society, Dalziel Street.—Open to Members of Society free ; Non-Members, 5s per annum. 7000 volumes.

Western Book Club, at James Gray's, stationer, Brandon Street.—Open to subscribers.

Laird's Circulating Library, 90 Muir Street.—Open to subscribers.

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MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT.

For North-East Lanarkshire.—John Colville, Yarrow, Hamilton Road, Motherwell, and 26 Penywern Road, London, S.W.

MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION.

President, Provost Fraser; Treasurer and Secretary, William Bell, 17 Muir Street.

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NEWSPAPERS.

The Motherwell Times and General Advertiser.—Mrs Kenneth Cameron, Publisher, 84 Merry Street. *Motherwell Standard.*—Love & Wilson, Publishers, Hamilton Street.

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OCTAGON CLUB.

Instituted April 1896.

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ODDFELLOWS.

Loyal "Lord Hamilton" Lodge 7221.—Lodge Room, Dalziel Public School. Meets every alternate Thursday, at 8 p.m. Secretary, Robert Goold, 13 Airbles Street.

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OMNIBUS.

Motherwell and Wishaw.—Bus leaves Motherwell Cross at 9.25 a.m., 12.20 p.m., 2.25 p.m., 5.30 p.m., 7.15 p.m. (Saturdays only). Leaves Wishaw, East Cross, at 10.20 a.m., 1.5 p.m, 3.20 p.m., 6.30 p.m.. 8.15 p.m. (Saturdays only). Proprietor, W. Wallace, Brandon Stables, Motherwell.

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PANSY SOCIETY.

Middle Ward of Lanarkshire Pansy Society and Floral Association.—Honorary President. Lord Hamilton of Dalzell; President, John Colville, M.P.; Honorary Treasurer, Provost Fraser; Secretary. John King, 128 Muir Street.

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PARISH COUNCIL OF DALZIEL.

*Hon. Gavin Hamilton, Dalzell, chairman; Alex. Fletcher, James Gavin, John Sharp, James Thorburn, James Y. Banks, William Chambers, James Fly. Thomas Johnston, John Rankine, William Bell, James M'Kendrick, James Russell, William Whiteside, John Frood, Henry Dyer, John Kerr, Edward Swift, W. T. Perrins, Rev. G. W. Ritchie, George Stalker, *Andrew Anderson,

jun., *Patrick Gillespie, *James Smellie, *Andrew Wilson. (*Members of Landward Committee.) *Representatives to the Motherwell Poorhouse Combination Board.*—George Stalker and James M'Kendrick. *Representative on Middle Ward District Committee of County Council.*—Andrew Wilson. *Relief Committee.*—The whole Parish Council as a Committee—Rev. G. W. Ritchie, convener. *Finance Committee.*—Alex. Fletcher (convener), James Gavin, William Bell, James Russell, William Chambers, James Fry, John Kerr, Henry Dyer, George Stalker, Andrew Anderson, Patrick Gillespie. *Cemetery Committee.*—James Smellie (convener), Thomas Johnston, John Frood, Edward Swift, W. T. Perrins, William Bell, William Whiteside, James Gavin, James Y. Banks, John Kerr, Henry Dyer, John Rankine. *Law Committee.*—William Chambers (convener), John Rankine, W. T. Perrins, James Russell. Andrew Anderson, James Smellie, James Thorburn, James Fry, James M'Kendrick. *New Poorhouse Committee.*—James M'Kendrick (convener) James Smellie, Andrew Wilson, John Frood Henry Dyer, James Gavin, George Stalker, James Y. Banks, John Rankine, Edward Swift, John Kerr, William Chambers. *Poorhouse Visiting Committee.*—The whole Council.

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PHOTOGRAPHIC ASSOCIATION.

President, James Hamilton; Secretary and Treasurer, D. Taylor, 60 Brandon Street; Lanternist, A. Ferguson; Librarian, J. Sinclair.

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POLICE COMMISSIONERS.

Provost, Alex. Fraser; Bailies, Andrew Wilson, William Purdie, Daniel Jack, and Archibald King. Commissioners—First Ward—Daniel Jack, Henry Dyer, J. T. Brassington, Andrew Wilson (Burngrange); Second Ward—Alex. Fraser, Robert Park, James Dunlop. Third Ward—William Purdie, Andrew Wilson, Robert Lang, Alex. Brown. Fourth Ward—Alex. Findlay, Arch. King, W. L. Dyer. Timothy Cusick. *Standing Committees*—Finance—Bailies Purdie, Wilson, King, and Jack, Messrs Findlay, Park, H. Dyer, and Dunlop. Water—Mr Findlay, Bailie Purdie, Messrs Brassington, Lang, Cusick, and W. L. Dyer. Lighting—Bailies Jack and Purdie. Messrs Dunlop, Findlay, Wilson (Burngrange) and W. L. Dyer. Streets—Mr Park, Bailies Wilson and Jack, Messrs Brown, Cusick, and W. L. Dyer. Sanitary and Slaughter-House—Mr H. Dyer, Bailie Wilson, Messrs Brassington, Cusick, Dunlop, and Lang. Drainage—Bailie King, Messrs Brown, Lang, Park, Wilson (Burngrange), and W. L. Dyer. Town Hall and Public Park—Mr Dunlop, Bailie King, Messrs Brassington, H. Dyer, and Wilson (Burngrange). Parliamentary Bills—Bailies Wilson and

King, Messrs Cusick, H. Dyer, Brassington, and Wilson (Burngrange). The Provost's Committee (meet when necessary, to take up all matters not falling under the business dealt with by the other Committees)—The Magistrates—Provost Fraser convener. *Vote.*—The first named in each Committee is convener thereof, and Provost Fraser is a member of all Committees *ex-officio.* Three is a quorum in each of the Committees.

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POLICE COURT.

Meets every Monday, at Ten o'clock, and as occasion demands. Burgh Prosecutor, A. L. Wright; Clerk, James Burns; Depute-Clerk, William Hobbin.

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POLICE OFFICE.

Situated in High Road. Superintendent, Alexander Moir.

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POST OFFICE.

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QUOITING CLUB.

President, James M'Lurg; Treasurer, James Brownlie; Secretary, David Bisset, 162 Windmillhill Street.

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RECHABITES.

"H. M. Stanley" Tent, No. 2004.—Lodge Room, Dalziel Public School. C.R., William Russell; Secretary, William Bulloch, jun., Calder Street. *Juvenile Tent No. 963*—Superintendent, John Greig; Secretary, Robert M'Murray, Parkneuk.

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REGISTRAR.

Registrar of Births, Marriages, and Deaths, for the Parish of Dalziel, George Sneddon, 8 Merry Street; Assistant (vacant). Office hours—10 till 3 daily, except Saturdays; Saturdays, 10 till 12; Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, from 5 till 7 p.m. Notice of a Birth to be given to the Registrar within 21 days after its occurrence; Notice of a Marriage within 3 days after its celebration; Notice of a Death within 8 days after the event. If these are not complied with penalties are exigible.

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SAVINGS BANK.

National Security Savings Bank.—Office, National Bank, Cross. Open—Monday, 7 to 8 p.m.; Thursday, 10 to 3; Saturday, 5 to 7. Interest allowed, 2½ per cent.

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SCHOOL BOARD OF DALZIEL.

Rev. David Scott, B.D. (Chairman), Rev. A. W. Carmichael, Rev. Thomas Marshall, M.A., Very Rev. John Taylor, James B. Allan, W. L. Dyer, John Grieve, jr., T. J. Jennings, Lauchlan Kelly; Clerk and Treasurer, W. R. Barbour, Bank of Scotland. Officers—Hugh Dunlop, 14 Union Street; Robert Reid, Craigneuk. *School Conveners*—Craigneuk, Mr Kelly; Dalziel, Mr Jennings; Hamilton Street, Mr Carmichael; Merry Street, Mr Allan; Milton Street, Mr Dyer; Muir Street, Mr Marshall. *Committees*—Finance, the whole Board (Mr Allan, Convener); Attendance, Rev. Mr Carmichael (Convener), Messrs Jennings, Kelly, Marshall, and Taylor; Evening Schools and Science Classes and High School, Mr Grieve (Convener), Messrs Allan, Dyer, Jennings, and Marshall; Religious Knowledge, Rev. Mr Scott (Convener), Messrs Carmichael and Marshall: Book, and Stationery, Mr Jennings (Convener), Messrs Allan, Dyer, Grieves and Kelly. The Chairman is *ex-officio* a Member of all Committees.

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SCHOOLS AND TEACHERS.

High School.—Accommodates 862 scholars—David Greig, B.Sc, Agnes Fleming.

Dalziel School.—Accommodates 868 scholars—W. Fordyce, Jessie Somerville.

Milton Street.—Accommodates 782 scholars—John Stalker, Nellie Allan.

Hamilton Street.—Accommodates 628 scholars—D. T. Macmillan, Minnie Hamilton.

Craigneuk Public.—Accommodates 717 scholars—George T. Brough, M.A., Annie Dunlop.

Muir Street.—Accommodates 674 scholars—Joseph Graham, Margaret Macdonald.

Merry Street.—Accommodates 1090 scholars—Angus Macdonald, B.Sc., Martha Gilmour,

Roman Catholic.—Accommodates 750 scholars—Misses Coleman and Kennedy.

Scott Street Secondary R.C.—Accommodates 226 scholars—Geo. Bennett.

Shieldmuir R.C.—Accommodates 413 scholars—Kate Morrissey.

SCOTCH GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY.

President, Hon. Mrs Heywood Lonsdale ; Treasurer and Secretary, Hon. Miss Hamilton of Dalzell.

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SCOTTISH CO-OPERATIVE EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION.

Dalziel Co-operative Society.—President, Thomas Craig ; Secretary, Archibald Brown.

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SHEPHERDS.

Loyal Order of Ancient Shepherds (Ashton Unity).—"*Pride of Motherwell*" *Lodge, No. 1834.*—Instituted, November, 1878. Lodge-Room, Dalziel Public School. W.M., David N. Dick; Treasurer, Alexander Smellie ; Secretary, Joseph Hendrie. Membership, 258.

Loyal Order of Ancient Shepherds (Ashton Unity).—"*Mount Etna*" *Lodge, No. 2282.*—Instituted 21st October, 1889. Meets in Craigneuk Public School. W.M., David Montgomery ; Treasurer, Alex. Morton ; Financial and Corresponding Secretary, Alex. Scott, Hamilton Place, Flemington. Membership, 408. Juvenile Secretary, Thomas Hislop, 88 Airbles Street, Motherwell.

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TELEPHONE.

National Telephone Company.—Exchange, 124½ Brandon Street ; Operator, Miss Selbie.

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UNITED TEMPERANCE COUNCIL.

President, Rev. Thomas F. Whillas, B.D. (Manse, Orchard Street) ; Treasurer, John Grieve ; Secretary, Robt. Cassells, 67 Glencairn Street.

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VOLUNTEERS.

2nd Volunteer Battalion Scottish Rifles.—*H Company*—Captain, W. Meiklem Thomson ; Drill Instructor, Col.-Sergt. G. J. Brown.

CHRONOLOGICAL EVENTS FROM 1859.

1859.

Dec. 7.—Trial of James Anderson for murdering John Wylie near Camp Rows. Sentenced to fifteen years' penal servitude.

1860.

Feb. 16.—First lecture under auspices of Total Abstinence Society, in Free Church, by Mr Peter Ferguson, Glasgow.

Mar. 3.—Mineral train went over embankment at Camp Bridge; bridge then considered unsafe.

April 21.—Motherwell Iron Works Band accompanied first march out of Volunteers in uniform in the district—52nd L.R.V., now B Company, 2nd V.B.S.R.

Nov. 10.—First meeting towards formation of a Co-operative Society in Motherwell.

Dec. 8.—Great revival meetings held from this date, at which Mr Hammond, of New York; Mr Wilson, Edinburgh; Rev. Mr Fraser, Gourock; Rev. J. Oswald Dykes; and the local ministers, took part.

Dec. 10.—John Lindsay, post runner for east and south parts of Dalziel parish, presented (by subscription) with a great-coat and a "full suit of good, warm, winter clothes, a tippet, and two sovereigns."

Dec. 25.—First procession of Masonic Lodge, St. John's 406, Dalziel, to Dalzell House and Braidhurst.

1861.

Jan. 1.—Public Soiree of Primitive Methodist Church, at which Messrs Morton (manager, Iron Works), Evans, Pile, Swift, Wassel, Gabriel Smith, Miller, and Rev. J. Oliver gave addresses.

Jan. 15.—Explosion of fire damp at Camp Colliery; four men severely burned—Robert Smellie, A. Galloway, and Arthur and James Miller, Windmillhill.

April 16—Census—Dalziel parish, 5438. Several remarkable cases of overcrowding cited by enumerators. A few out of many instances :—Living in one room, ten persons ; in one room, eight persons—husband and wife, two children, three male lodgers, and one female lodger ; in one room, eight persons—husband and wife, four children, male lodger, and female lodger.

Nov. 6.—Heritors of Dalziel fix the salary of the schoolmaster at £65.

Nov. 21.—Donald Wylie, gardener with Captain Hamilton of Dalzell, drowned by the capsizing of a boat while crossing the Clyde near Cunningair. Body found a week afterwards near the Logans wood.

1862.

Dec. 18.—Meeting on behalf of distressed cotton operatives in Scotland and England (owing to American War), at which Mr Watson's miners agreed to give 6d per fortnight, and labourers 3d. Total sum collected by public subscription, £126 6s.

1863.

March 10.—Grand display of loyalty on occasion of the marriage of the Prince of Wales. 112 poor people sat down to dinner in the Parish School.

April 11.—Boiler explosion at Mossend Iron Works—five boilers burst and eight men killed.

June 20.—Branch of the City of Glasgow Bank open on Tuesdays and Fridays, from ten a.m. to one p.m.

July 2.—Presentation to Mr Jas. Ballantyne, precentor in Dalziel Free Church, and conductor of the Motherwell Tonic Sol-Fa Association, on his appointment to the precentorship of Park Free Church, Helensburgh.

Aug. 8.—Motherwell Bridge over River Clyde widened and improved with footpaths of iron curb plates.

Aug. 23.—Opening of Carfin Catholic School. Services conducted by Rev. Joseph Small, Dunoon (a native of Motherwell).

1864.

Jan. 9.—H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh (then Prince Alfred) lunched at Dalzell House, and visited it several times afterwards during his stay at Wishaw House.

Mar. 19.—Complaints as to water, light, and cleanliness, and proposals to ask the Caledonian Railway Company for a supply of water from the Clyde.—Population, 3000, and first suggestions offered as to the adoption of the General Police and Improvement Act, 1862, and forming Burgh.

April 25.—John Reilly convicted for the murder of Mrs Laffy, near Newarthill ; sentenced to death, and executed 16th May.

May 9.—Great rejoicings—Home-coming of Major and Lady Emily Hamilton from their marriage tour.

Sept. 5.—Opening of branch of the Bank of Scotland, three days a week, under charge of Hamilton agents.

1865.

Feb. 27.—Birth of a daughter at Dalzell House—Rejoicings.

March 11.—Large and influential meeting held for taking into consideration the bill for power to form a line from Cleland to Mid-Calder by Caledonian Railway, which was unanimously approved.

April 27.—Meeting of householders of the yearly rent of £10, for the election of nine Commissioners—Sheriff Veitch chairman. Twenty-four candidates were proposed, and the nine highest were duly elected.

May 1.—First meeting of Police Commissioners in Masons' Hall—Mr James Russell appointed chief magistrate; William King and George Anderson, junior magistrates; Mr Edward P. Dykes, clerk; Mr James G. M'Cubbing, treasurer and collector.

July 31.—Grand picnic of all the Sabbath Schools (numbering 1200), with three bands of music, to Dalzell House.

Oct. 26.—Ceremony of laying the foundation stone of United Presbyterian Church, Brandon Street, by Provost Russell.

Dec. 2.—Inauguration of a series of concerts by the Motherwell Social Reform Society.

1866.

Jan. 3.—Two men killed by fire-damp explosion in Mr John Watson's No 1 Pit, Craigneuk.

Feb. 15.—Public meeting resolves to petition Parliament in favour of the Caledonian Railway Co.'s proposed extension from Hamilton to Ferniegair.

July 10.—Introduction of the Rev. James Dunlop, M.A., to the charge of the recently formed U.P. congregation.

Sept. 5.—Dinner in honour of Mr J. G. M'Cubbing, late of the Bank of Scotland, on occasion of his appointment to the agency of that bank in Hamilton.

Sept. 22.—Opening of new railway engine sheds.

Sept. 24.—Motherwell Combination Poorhouse opened.

1867.

March 15.—Formation of a Rifle Corps under the title of the 102nd L.R.V.C.—Captain, Robert Jack; Lieut., Thomas Whitelaw; Ensign, John Topping; Quartermaster, Mr M'Arthur; Col.-Sergt., Mr T. King; Sergeants, Messrs J. Morrison, W. Morrison, J. Russell, and J. Hill.

April 26.—Promoters of Bowling Green form themselves into an

association, to be called The Motherwell Bowling Club—President, Thomas Morton ; Vice-President, William King ; Secretary, F. Speirs.

June 24.—Provost Russell entertains the Commissioners to dinner in "Bailie King's Inn."

July 3.—New School in Milton Street in connection with Glasgow Iron Co.'s works opened.

July 19.—First inspection of Motherwell Volunteers (102nd L.R.V.) by Col. Bulwer, C.B.

Aug. 18.—Twenty-five cases of drunkenness on Sunday reported.

Dec. 31.—Ninety special constables enrolled for burgh and county service as a safeguard against Fenianism.

1868.

May 29.—Complimentary dinner to Ex-Provost Russell by the Commissioners, on the expiry of his term of office as first chief magistrate of the burgh.

May 25.—Great rejoicings on the occasion of the birth of a son and heir to J. G. C. Hamilton, Esq. of Dalzell.

June 6.—Inauguration of the Bowling Green, formed at a cost of £600.

June 17.—Public meeting agreed to requisition Major Hamilton to stand as a candidate for the representation of the county in Parliament.——Dinner and presentation to Mr Robert Cunningham ("Geordie Short") on his departure for America.

August 5.—Indignation meeting as to the conduct of the grave-digger ; Parochial Board disclaim jurisdiction ; Heritors agreed to advertise for a new gravedigger.

October 27.—Disastrous fire at Dalzell House ; estimated damage, £7000.

December 28.—Funeral of Lord Belhaven to Cam'nethan Old Churchyard on the Clyde.

1869.

January 26.—Dinner to J. G. C. Hamilton, Esq. of Dalzell, by the Commissioners and Inhabitants of the burgh, in Parish School —Provost King, chairman ; Rev. J. Loudon, croupier.

April 12.—Opening of new premises of the Bank of Scotland in Brandon Street.

June 12.—Outbreak of scarlatina—many deaths.

July 3.—Great match at rounders between railway-men and miners, 20 a-side. Railway-men victorious.

July 10.—Appointment of Sergeant M'Naughton, County Constabulary, to the charge of the burgh and district.

July 11.—Farewell sermon of the Rev. James Boulton of the Primitive Methodist Church, on his departure for Berwick-on-Tweed.

August 28.—Close of Messrs Shirlaw & Son's crop sale. Prices :

—Wheat, £12 to £20 10s per acre; potatoes, £15 to £36; oats, £6 to £15; beans, £7 to £15; hay, £3 17s 6d to £4 14s per ton.

October 5.—Archibald Backes sentenced by Lord Deas at the Circuit Court to five years' penal servitude for stabbing John Adams, residing in Russell Place.

November 4.—Meeting of Dalziel Parochial Board. Annual rental, £35,303 2s; assessment, 3d per £ on proprietors, and 3d on occupiers.

1870.

January 13.—Formation of the Lanarkshire Small Bore Rifle Shooting Club to practise on Dalziel Range at 800, 900, and 1000 yards, with Major Hamilton as patron; Lieut.-Col. Hozier as president; vice-president, Lieut. Renton, Uddingston; secy. and treasurer, Lieut. Whitelaw.

January 25.—Presentation of a piece of ground, on a 19 years' lease, free of rent, by Major Hamilton to the Dalziel Curling Club.

February 24.—Great snowstorm. 'Buses unable to proceed to Wishaw.

May 20.—Meeting to consider the proposed erection of a new Established Church, and an influential committee appointed.

May 21.—Mr R. Jack, factor on Dalzell estate, appointed to the agency of the Bank of Scotland, in room of Mr F. Spiers.

May 24.—Funeral of the son and heir of Major Hamilton; conveyed from London to the family mausoleum in Dalziel Old Churchyard.—Meeting of inhabitants for taking into consideration "the propriety of petitioning Parliament to pass a law enforcing weekly pays." Carried unanimously, and committee appointed.

June 18.—Petition, containing 1400 signatures, forwarded to Sir Edward Colebrooke for presentation to House of Commons, in favour of payment of wages weekly.

July 21.—Lieut. Whitelaw, of the Motherwell Company of Volunteers, wins the £100 cup in the Albert Prize at Wimbledon Rifle Meeting.

July 28.—Falling of railway bridge at Orbiston, on Caledonian Railway—one man killed and several injured.

July 31.—Andrew Brogan, puddler, Kirk Street, fatally assaulted at Logan Rows.

October 4.—Gross revenue of burgh for past year, £721 19s 4d; expenditure, £650 9s 9d.

October 25.—First meeting of the newly-formed Young Men's Christian Association.

Nov. 4.—Presentation of a drinking fountain to the burgh by William King, Esq.; unveiled by Major Hamilton, M.P.

Nov. 12.—Complete stoppage of the coal pits on the Jerviston Estate, tenanted by the Summerlee Iron Company.

Nov. 19.—Scarlet fever prevails to a great extent.

Dec. 10.—Opening of a workmen's club in connection with the Ironworks.

Dec. 14.—Formation of a lodge of Good Templars named "The Caledonian Thistle."

Dec. 16.—Lady Emily Hamilton distributed the shooting prizes to the Motherwell Volunteers at a grand concert in the Masons' Hall.

1871.

Jan. 10.—Report at Council meeting stated that Caledonian Railway could not grant an increased supply of water, urgently requested, and committee appointed to inquire into an increased supply from another source.

Feb. 4.—Opening of new railway station in Clyde Street.

Feb. 17.—At the fifth annual festival of Alpha Works employees (Mr George Russell's), it was stated that the firm had received a distinguished award at the Paris Exhibition for a steam crane, which was used in constructing the Exhibition.

Feb. 18.—Commencement of the erection of new malleable iron-works by Mr Colville, Coatbridge.——Lady Belhaven visited the Poorhouse, and gave each inmate a present.

March 12.—Opening of Dalziel Free Church after enlargement. Rev. Dr. Wilson, moderator of General Assembly, preached in forenoon, and Rev. P. W. Robertson, Hamilton, in the evening.

March 21.—General holiday and great rejoicings on the occasion of the marriage of Princess Louise and Marquis of Lorne.

April 12.—Death of John Mann, engine-driver (a contemporary of George Stephenson). He drove Stephenson's second engine, "The Flying Childers," and also drove the first steam engine made in Scotland.

June 28.—Lieut. Whitelaw selected as one of the crack shots of Scotland to shoot in the "Scottish Eight" for the Elcho Challenge Shield.——Shoemakers commence work after a strike of two days, with an advance of sixpence per pair.

July 8.—The puddlers, after a strike of three weeks, come to favourable terms. They had been out nearly thirty weeks of the preceding eighteen months, and had lost in wages £78 to £80 per man.

July 29.—Purchase by the Caledonian Railway Company of the waggon works belonging to Mr John Watson of Glencairn House.

Aug. 1.—Increase of crime—157 persons apprehended during past seven months.

Aug. 2.—Fashionable marriage at Dalzell House—Mr Francis Jeffrey, son of the Right Hon. Sir James Moncrieff, Bart., Lord Justice-Clerk, to Miss F. R. Lawson.

Aug. 28.—Railway servants meet and agree to request an advance of 2s per week.

Sept. 11.—Strike of the shoemakers, which lasted till 21st. Sept.

Nov. 4.—Extensive quarries on Jerviston Estate leased by Provost King.

DEC. 6.—Opening of new curling pond, Lady Emily Hamilton throwing the first stone.

DEC. 23.—Nine-hour day conceded spontaneously to the employees of Alpha Engine Works (George Russell & Co.), without reduction of wages.——Parochial Board agree to the erection of a fever and smallpox hospital. Dr. Thomson stated that he had treated 207 smallpox cases.

1872.

JAN. 1.—290 persons taken into custody during 1871, being an increase of 78.

JAN. 13.—Caledonian Railway Co. leased 10 acres of land on farm of High Motherwell for extension of their waggon works.

JAN. 20.—Ground feued in Merry Street for new Established Church—Major Hamilton heads the subscription list with £1000.

JAN. 23.—Meeting of the Association of Colliery Managers, lately formed, at which Mr David Wingate read a paper on "Ventilation."

FEB. 6.—Dr. Thomson delivered a lecture on "Sanitary Reform" in Free Church.

FEB. 12.—Employees of Motherwell boiler works succeed in getting their hours of labour reduced to 57 hours per week.

APRIL 2.—Commissioners agreed to make a proposal to the Gas Company to purchase their works.

APRIL 4.—Bazaar held in Town Hall, Hamilton, in aid of the building fund of the Dalziel Free Church.

APRIL 24.—First competition of Dalziel Angling Club.

JULY 8.—Formation of Dalziel Building and Investment Society.

JULY 9.—Major and Lady Emily Hamilton treated all servants and workers on the estate to a trip to see the Channel Fleet.

JULY 15.—Party fight between Orangemen and Catholics; six apprehended.

AUG. 4.—Evangelical Union denomination opened a mission station.

AUG. 8.—Congratulatory address by the Commissioners to Major and Lady Emily Hamilton on the birth of a son.

AUG. 24.—Formation of a Music Hall Company.

SEPT. 7.—Appointment of Mr James Read as stationmaster in room of the late Mr Kerr.

SEPT. 23.—Miners' wages 10s per day at this date.

SEPT. 27.—Two persons injured by an explosion of gunpowder in a house at the Camp Rows.

SEPT. 28.—Fall of Mr Archibald Miller's workshop in Merry Street during a violent thunderstorm; three persons injured.

OCT. 6.—Formation of E.U. Church—Opening services conducted by Rev. Fergus Ferguson.

OCT. 25.—Sham fight in Dalzell policies between right and left half battalions of the 1st A.B. Lanarkshire Rifle Volunteers.

NOV. 6.—Violent storm—Gable of new Music Hall, in course of erection, damaged; a number of houses at Watsonville blown down, plate glass windows blown in, trees uprooted, funnel of rail-

way engine knocked off by coming in contact with a falling telegraph pole, and Mr Colville's and other works suffered greatly from damage to roofing.

Dec. 2.—Performance of "The Rose of Ettrick Vale" by the Motherwell Amateur Dramatic Club.

Dec. 11.—£38 9s 10d collected during the year for National Bible Society.

Dec. 14.—Scarcity of house accommodation relieved by the proposed construction by Dr. Tennant Barrie of sixty workmen's houses of an improved class in Brandon Street.

1873.

Jan. 1.—Increase of crime—384 persons apprehended during the year, compared with 290 in previous year.

Feb. 4.—Police Commissioners petition the Railway Coy. against the extension of the line to Holytown as injurious to the interests of the town by the diverting of traffic to the new line.

Mar. 3.—Opening of the Music Hall.

Mar. 15.—First election of School Board for Dalziel—22 candidates, 7 seats—Thomas Morton, 906; John Williams, 460; Dr. Thomson, 365; Rev. Joseph Loudon. 328; John Brown, 326; Edward Small, 288; John Galloway, 261.

Mar. 21.—First social meeting of employees of Messrs Goodwin & Co.

Mar. 24.—First meeting of School Board—Rev. Joseph Loudon, chairman; Robt. Jack, banker, treasurer; Wm. Stratton, solicitor, clerk.

April 1.—80 cases of smallpox recorded during quarter ending March 31st—seven deaths. Police Commissioners resolve to engage a small house as a temporary hospital, and to employ a scavenger to cleanse and disinfect all localities where disease was likely to be engendered.

May 26.—First meeting of Catholics resolved to form a chapel.

May 31.—Appointment of Sergt. Carmichael, County Constabulary, to the Motherwell district, in room of Sergt. M'Naughton, resigned.

Aug. 5.—51 cases of smallpox, with 5 deaths, since 1st July.

Aug. 8.—Supper and presentation to Mr David Wingate, manager, of Craigneuk Colliery (Merry & Cuninghame's).

Aug. 16.—Sheriff's decision as to extension of burgh received with dissatisfaction. Refuses to annex villages of Rumblingsykes, Craigneuk, &c., partly in Dalziel parish, but grants them to Wishaw, which applied later, against the wishes of the majority of the inhabitants of these villages. Decision appealed against to Home Secretary, who refused to grant the appeal.

Aug. 20.—Series of party riots, in which Orangemen and Catholics are engaged, and in which several were seriously injured. Strong force of additional police on duty.

Sept. 16.—Trial of the Motherwell rioters at Hamilton Sheriff Court. Two sentenced to 60 days', and six to 40 days' imprisonment.

Sept. 20.—Volunteer sham fight in Dalzell polices—nine companies on the field.

Oct. 6.—Supper and presentation to Mr David Forsyth, manager of Dalziel Iron Works.

Oct. 17.—The Managing Committee of the Parochial Board agree to proceed to business in regard to the new cemetery, as instructed by the Parochial Board.

Oct. 22.—Decrees of ejectment granted by the Sheriff against the miners at the instance of Mr John Watson, Glencairn House.

Nov. 3.—Death of Mr James Davidson, lately senior bailie of the burgh, at the age of 49.

Dec. 10.—Rejoicings on the occasion of the marriage of the Duke of Hamilton.

1874.

Jan. 1.—Mr James M'Callum commenced his duties as Burgh engineer and surveyor.

Feb. 1.—Meeting to form a branch of Free Gardeners.

Feb. 5.—Mass meeting of miners adopt Thursday as a weekly holiday.

Feb. 12.—Miners agree to work eight hours per day.

Feb. 15.—Death of Col. John James Hamilton of Gilkerscleugh, aged 68, last survivor of the children of the late Daniel Hamilton, long Sheriff of Glasgow.

Feb. 19.—Miners agree to work four days per week and eight hours per day.

Feb. 26.—Meeting of Caledonian Railway employees resolve to petition Parliament for a bill restricting the hours of labour to ten.

March 1.—Induction of Rev. David Greenhill of Catrine, Ayrshire, to the pastorate of the E.U. Church.

March 9.—Explosion of fire damp in Shields Colliery; two men injured.

May 2.—Trotting match for £50 a-side—Mr Thomson of the Saw Mill and Mr Millar, grain merchant. Mr Thomson's pony won.

May 22.—Special meeting of Commissioners to consider what steps should be taken regarding the blocking up of the Roman Road.

May 25.—Public funeral of the Rev. Joseph Loudon, parish minister.——Indignation meeting of the inhabitants regarding obstruction of the Roman Road.

June 15.—School Board of Dalziel opened a temporary school in the old day school, Milton Street.

July 7.—Dr. Forrest appointed medical officer of the burgh.

Sept. 14.—Rev. David Scott, B.D., elected minister of the parish church.

Oct. 31.—Formation of Dalziel branch of the "Sons of Temperance" by the employees of Dalziel Ironworks.

Nov. 6.—First annual supper of Motherwell Star Angling Club.

Nov. 30.—Serious railway collision near Caledonian Railway Station; several persons injured.

Dec. 7.—Meeting to decide on site for proposed new cemetery. ——Enlargement of Crosstone and Craigneuk Public Schools.

Dec 18.—First soiree of the carpenters and joiners of Motherwell.

Dec. 19.—First festival of the "Sons of Temperance."

Dec. 24.—Bazaar in aid of the building fund of E.U. Church.

Dec. 29.—Bazaar in aid of the extinction of debt in U.P. Church.

1875.

Jan. 23.—Melancholy Ice Accident; three lads drowned.

Feb. 19.—First annual supper and ball of Albert Bolt Works.

May 15.—Fire in Heckler's Row, Clyde Street.

May 25.—Meeting to form a branch of the Glasgow Foundry Boys' Association.

June 7.—Foundation stone of the Evangelical Union Church laid by Mr John Wilson of Alderwood, Glasgow.

Aug. 19.—Rev. Geo. Carruthers of Edinburgh ordained minister of Dalziel Old Church.

Aug. 30.—Strike of joiners.

Sept. 11.—Opening of new hall in Roman Road.

Sept. 26.—Opening of new Catholic Chapel.

Sept. 29.—Meeting to form a football club.

Oct. 4.—Princess Christian visits Dalzell House, and on following day is presented with an address by the Magistrates and Police Commissioners.

Nov. 3.—Presentation to Major Hamilton of Dalzell for his services to the southern division of Lanark in Parliament during 1868-74.

Dec. 18-19.—E.U. Church dedicated by Rev. Geo. Gladstone and opened by Rev. A. Davidson, Greenock.

1876.

Jan. 8.—Inauguration of penny bank at Craigneuk.

Jan. 11.—Colliery at Camp flooded.

Feb. 2.—Established Church clock put under the care of the Commissioners by the kirk session; clock to be lighted and bells rung three times a day.

Mar. 10.—Sheriff sanctioned the opening of Dalziel new cemetery.

April 1.—Roman Road right-of-way case settled, the Glasgow Iron Company to guarantee to the public the right of King Street in all time coming.

May 7.—Opening of Muir Street School.

Aug. 17.—Threatened strike of railway employees.

Oct. 17.—Merchants closed their shops in honour of the visit of Prince of Wales to Glasgow.

Oct. 25.—Opening of science and art classes in Dalziel Public School.

Nov. 13.—Opening of Motherwell Public School in Hamilton Street under Hamilton School Board.

Dec. 2.—Rev. Geo. Carruthers, Dalziel Old Church, accepted a call to Johnstone Parish Church.

Dec. 4.—Mr Glen, U.P. Church missionary, died.

Dec. 6.—First annual supper of the "White Sand and Grey Sand" Club.

1877.

Jan. 4.—Brigbrae grain mill destroyed by fire.

Jan. 23.—Home Farm Colliery flooded—four lives lost and great destruction of property.

Feb. 14.—Glencairn Football Club formed.

Mar. 5.—Outbreak of fever.

Mar. 10.—Eviction of tin plate workers.

Mar. 15.—Strike of puddlers.

Mar. 31.—Bailie John Brown died, aged 56 years.

April 4.—Strike at North Motherwell Colliery.

May 10.—Rev. Thomas Hislop ordained minister of Dalziel Old Church.

July 12.—Formation of Free Church Y.M.C.A.

Aug. 3.—Boiler explosion at Dalziel Ironworks.

Oct. 15.—Funeral of Rev. James Gilmour, R. C. clergyman.

Oct. 25.—Opening of new Water Works, Coldstream.

Nov. 30.—Presentation of testimonial to Mrs Brown which had been prepared for her late husband, Bailie Brown.

1878.

Jan. 5.—One of Mr Watson's pits closed for lack of orders.

Jan. 7.—Public subscription of £150 sent to Blantyre Explosion Fund.

Feb. 11.—Opening of new tin works.

July 1.—Petition presented to Teind Court for the disjunction and erection of South Dalziel into a church and parish *quoad sacra*.

July 12.—Party riot at Carfin.

Aug. 17.—Mail car attacked by Home Rulers—driver (Mr Smith) assaulted.

Sept. 15.—Severe storm. Much damage to property.

Oct. 5.—Proposed new N.B. Railway from Morningside through Wishaw and Motherwell, to join Glasgow, Bothwell, and Hamilton, spoken about.

Nov. 2.—"Pride of Motherwell" Lodge of Shepherds instituted.

Nov. 3.—Two shops destroyed by fire at the Cross.

Nov. 30.—Extension of burgh boundaries.

1879.

JAN. 6.—First meeting of Liberal Association. Mr Hamilton of Dalzell appointed president.

JAN. 22.—E.U. and U.P. Churches entered by thieves. Some wine and coppers stolen.

JAN. 24.—Burns Club formed. Mr Whamond appointed president.

APRIL 15.—Induction of Rev. T. F. Whillas, B.D. to Dalziel U.P. Church.

APRIL 22.—British Workman Public-House opened in Melville Drive.

MAY 24.—Alarming fire at Dalzell House.

NOV. 11.—Rents on Dalzell Estate reduced 20 per cent.

NOV. 30.—Sir Wilfred Lawson and Professor Ramsay guests at Dalzell House.

DEC. 27.—First exhibition of poultry, pigeons, and dogs.

1880.

JAN. 10.—Collapse of Motherwell Mill, which had stood for over two centuries. The miller, Mr Geo. M'Gregor, had the building soon after re-modelled.

MARCH 15.—Erection of South Dalziel into a parish *quoad sacra*.

APRIL 30.—140-ton anvil cast for steam hammer at Dalzell Works.

MAY 6.—Mr James Reid appointed governor of Combination Poorhouse.

AUG. 11.—20 mineral engines and 100 men booked off on the Caledonian Railway on account of miners' strike.

AUG. 24.—Mail train collided with a mineral train at Flemington —three persons slightly injured.

SEPT. 18.—End of seven weeks' miners' strike.

OCT. 4.—Mission Hall opened in Brandon Street.

OCT 20.—First cast of steel in Dalziel Works, in presence of Lady Emily Hamilton and others.

NOV. 24.—Movable casting, 43 tons weight, successfully accomplished by Messrs Goodwin.

1881.

JAN. 3.—Memorial stone of Dalziel U.P. Church laid by Mr Jas. Morton, Greenock.

JAN. 13.—Fire in Parish Church. Damages, £200.

FEB. 20.—Mr James King, contractor, died, aged 47.

APRIL 7.—Dalziel U.P. Church bazaar opened.

MAY 28.—Sudden death of ex-Provost King, aged 58.

AUG. 4.—Fire-damp explosion in No. 4 Pit (Watson's)—three persons burned.

AUG. 29.—Three persons killed at No. 2 Pit, North Motherwell Colliery.

1882.

Feb. 10.—James Black, merchant, died, aged 72.

Feb. 15.—John Blackwood, tollkeeper, died, aged 54.

Feb. 22.—Complimentary supper to Mr D. Murie, on his leaving Motherwell.

March 4.—Formation of lodge in connection with St. Andrew's Order of Reformed Templars.

March 16.—Presentation to Mr M'Ghie, stationmaster.

April 14.—Presentation to Mr John Ralston in recognition of his public services.

June 3.—Dr Wilson, Rosshill, died.

July 6.—Inspector of Poor reported large increase of pauperism.

Aug. 28.—Mr Joseph Graham appointed master of Muir Street School.

Sept. 2.—Opening of Hallelujah Hall, seated for 600.

Oct. 4.—Mr Thomas M'Callum, locomotive superintendent, Caledonian Railway, died.

Oct. 12.—Electric light introduced into their works by Messrs James Goodwin & Co.

Oct. 12.—Presentation to Captain Topping on his retiral from the Volunteers.

Nov. 11.—Death of Lady Emily Hamilton, aged 42.

Dec. 21.—Mr and Mrs James Millar's golden wedding celebrated at Dalzell Farm.

1883.

Jan. 3.—Glasgow Presbytery sustained call to Rev. Thos. Hislop, South Dalziel, to be pastor of Bridgeton Church.

Jan. 15.—Strike of Railway Servants against long hours; continued seven days.

Jan. 25. Rev. James Dunlop, U.P. Church minister, died, aged 60.

April 9.—A special meeting of the Commissioners resolved to proceed with the paving of the footpaths.

April 16.—Golden Wedding of Mr and Mrs Robert M'Millan.

April 21.—170-ton anvil cast at Dalzell Steel Works.

June 23. —First issue of *Motherwell Times*.

June 28.—Induction of Rev. Duff Macdonald to South Dalziel Parish Church.

July 5.—Explosion at No. 3 Pit, Dalzell Colliery; five men injured.

July 23.—Mrs John Colville died.

Aug. 7.—Resignation of Mr Stratton, town clerk.——Hugh Ross, Inspector of Police, appointed Sanitary Inspector—salary, £30.

Aug. 18.—Irish rival party riot—two men shot.

Aug. 24.—Mr James Burns appointed town clerk.

Aug. 27.—Alexander Addie, of Braidhurst, died.

Oct. 2. – Induction of Rev. A. W. Carmichael to Motherwell U.P. Church.

Oct. 5.—The Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone visited Dalzell House

Dec. 30.—Farewell sermon by Rev. Mr Greenhill, E.U. Church.

1884.

Jan. 7.—Commencement made with construction of new Railway Station, Muir Street.

Jan. 30.—End of Steel-workers' strike; lasted over four weeks; 10% to 15% reduction in wages.

April 19.—Suicide of John Middleton in Motherwell Music Hall.

May 3.—Opening of new Roman Catholic Chapel in Park Street.

June 7.—Opening of the Episcopal Church.

Sept. 6.—Great demonstration in favour of extension of Franchise.

Oct. 16.—Ordination of Rev. W. S. Todd to the E.U. Church.

Nov. 2.—Opening of new Hall in connection with Brandon Street U.P. Church.

1885.

Jan. 7.—Redistribution Scheme embraces a combination of the parishes of Bothwell, Dalziel, Hamilton, north of Clyde, New Monkland, and Shotts, for the return of a member of Parliament—called North Eastern Division of Lanarkshire.

Feb. 6.—Golden Wedding of Mr and Mrs Wm. Gillespie, Milton Street.

Feb. 9.—Retiral of Mr Hamilton (Lord Hamilton) from Dalziel School Board, of which he had been chairman.

April 21.—Formation of North East Lanarkshire Liberal Association. Mr Hamilton of Dalzell elected president.

May 1.—5000 inhabitants petition Parliament against Mr Dick Peddie's Church Disestablishment Bill.

May 11.—Branch of British Linen Co. Bank opened—Mr J. C. Forrest, agent; Mr T. H. Campbell, sub-agent.

May 12.—Mr Thomas King, quarrymaster, died, aged 65 years.

May 17.—All the hotels in the town closed by Justices of the Peace.

June 1.—Mr Archd. Millar's saw-mills destroyed by fire. £4000 damages.

June 8.—Inauguration of Police Court—Provost Morton and Bailie Fraser the presiding magistrates.

July 2.—Mr Donald Crawford addresses his first meeting in Motherwell as a Liberal candidate for North East Lanarkshire.

July 15.—Mr J. C. Cunninghame, of Craigends, adopted as Conservative candidate for North East Lanarkshire.

Aug. 1.—Opening of new Railway Station. 2000 passengers booked. Mr Dickson appointed superintendent.

Aug. 9.—Craigneuk Free Church opened by Rev. J. J. Mackay, Glasgow.

Aug. 19.—Mr Donald Crawford, advocate, adopted as Liberal candidate for North East Lanarkshire.

Sept. 16.—Mr Joseph Chamberlain, M.P., received an ovation at the railway station.

Oct. 2.—First Registration Court held in Motherwell by Sheriff Birnie.

Oct. 7.—Plebiscite of Ratepayers on question of Town Hall—206 in favour, 54 against.

Oct. 29.—Provost Morton died, aged 68 years.

Dec. 1.—Mr Donald Crawford, advocate, elected M.P. for North East Lanarkshire in the Liberal interest. 4564 voted for Mr Crawford, and 4405 for Mr Cunninghame—majority, 159.

Dec. 21.—New fire engine procured by the Commissioners.

Dec. 29.—Opening of Dalziel Public School.

1886.

Feb. 2.—Transference of Caledonian Permanent Way Shop to Motherwell.

Feb. 22.—Rev. James Dawson, P.M. Church, died, aged 66 years.

March 2.—Severe snowstorm ; traffic stopped ; wreaths several feet deep.

March 12.—Opening of Christian Institute, Hamilton Street—Mr Alex. Whamond, chairman.

March 26.—Captain John Topping, 2nd L.R.V., died, aged 50 years.

March 30.—First festival of merchants' assistants.

May 22.—Retiral of John Bryson, post-runner, who, during his 33 years' service, had travelled 219,648 miles.

June 18 —Opening of Liberal Reading-Rooms in Watson Street by Mr Donald Craword, M.P.

July 3.—Mr Robert Wardrop died, aged 79 years.

July 7.—Mr Donald Crawford re-elected M.P. for North-East Lanarkshire. 4269 voted for Mr Crawford, and 3990 for Sir Edward Colebrooke—majority, 279.

July 31.—Mr Hamilton of Dalzell created a Peer of the Realm under the title of Lord Hamilton of Dalzell.

Sept. 2.—Mr C. Bradlaugh, M.P., and others addressed a meeting of working-men.

Sept. 2.—Great strike at Dalzell Steel Works, lasting about eight weeks, and during which there were disturbances over the introduction of Welsh workmen. The men, who had struck against a reduction, resumed work at the old rate of wages, a rise in the markets allowing this.

Oct. 6.—Provost Thomson died, aged 59 years.

Oct. 13.—Rev. David Scott elected chairman of Dalziel School Board.

Oct. 15.—First meeting of Nationalists' Society.

Oct. 22.—Election of Mr John Miller as Inspector of Poor.

1887.

(Jubilee of Queen Victoria's Reign.)

JAN. 1.—The part of Hamilton parish lying north of the Clyde added to Dalziel parish for registration purposes.

JAN. 3.—Memorial stone of Town Hall laid with masonic honours by Provost Goodwin.

JAN. 8.—New Reading and Recreation Rooms opened at North Motherwell.

JAN. 17.—Maiden Police Court—Bailie Smith presented with a pair of white gloves.

JAN. 22.—Deputations from Commissioners, School and Parochial Boards, presented congratulatory addresses to Lord Hamilton on his elevation to the Peerage.

JAN. 26.—Trial of steel-work rioters—one man convicted, and fined £5 or one month's imprisonment.

MARCH 21.—Mr F. H. Underwood, American Consul, lectured on poets Lowell and Holmes, under the auspices of South Dalziel Parish Church Y.M. Guild.

MARCH 29.—The women of Motherwell subscribed £30 14s 9d to the funds of a jubilee offering to the Queen.

APRIL 5.—Lord Hamilton presented a public park to the town.

MAY 7.—Calcutta papers to hand laud the Hooghly Bridge, which had been constructed by Messrs James Goodwin & Co.

MAY 30.—Post Office removed from Brandon Street to new premises in Clyde Street.

JUNE 2.—Four men killed at Dalziel Colliery by cage being precipitated to the bottom of the shaft—engineman convicted of neglect of duty, and fined £10 or one month's imprisonment.

JUNE 21.—Jubilee celebrations—Thanksgiving service held in Dalziel Parish Church, taken part in by Magistrates and Commissioners, and all the local clergy. Rev. David Ogilvy, Dalziel Free Church, preached an eloquent sermon.

JULY 8.—Golden wedding of Mr and Mrs Thomas More, North Motherwell.

AUG. 11.—Sale of fruit in Dalzell Orchard realised £151, being an advance of £81 over the previous year.

OCT. 17.—Opening of Knowetop Reading-Room by Lord Hamilton.

DEC. 5.—Golden wedding of Mr and Mrs Wm. Smith, Merry Street.——Town Hall opened with concert by Glasgow Select Choir. Bailie Grieve presided, and Lord Hamilton formally opened the hall.

DEC. 15.—Opening of Fine Art Exhibition in the Town Hall.

DEC. 15.—Opening of South Dalziel Parish Church bazaar for the liquidation of manse debt—£654 realised.

1888.

JAN. 19.—A plebiscite of householders showed that 2178 were in favour of closing public-houses at ten o'clock, and 116 against.

May 7 and 8.—Visit of Prince and Princess of Wales to Dalzell and Motherwell—magnificent reception given.

May 15.—Public-houses closed at ten o'clock for first time.

June 17.—Serious riot with "Lord" George Sanger's circus employees and the inhabitants of the town. Several policemen and circus men severely injured. Attack made on the Police Station by the circus men, but repulsed by police and civilians, who gave their aid Large numbers taken into custody, and eight convicted and fined £5 each.

July 18.—Sergt.-Instructor Treadwell, 2nd V.B.S.R., died.

June 19.—Rev. T. B. M'Corkindale, assistant, Dalzell parish, called to Eassie, Forfarshire.

Sept. 29.—Valuation of the burgh, exclusive of churches, schools, and railways, £38,639.

Oct. 5.—Mr John Barr, water works manager, died, aged 68.

Nov. 6.—First election under the wards system—four wards—Commissioners increased from 9 to 12.

Nov. 12.—Branch of the National Bank of Scotland opened—Mr James Russell, agent.

Nov. 15.—Public meeting protest against the restoration of a hotel license in the town.

Nov. 19.—Daniel Stevenson, the oldest inhabitant, died, aged 93.

Dec. 21.—Banquet to ex-Provost Goodwin, in recognition of his public services—Mr J. C. Forrest, chairman.

1889.

April 11.—Stock, plant, and machinery of Motherwell Chemical Works sold by auction.

April 25.—Public meeting resolve to petition Board of trade as to excessive railway rates.

May 11.—Mr John Galloway, member of School and Parochial Boards, died, aged 73 years.

May 18.—First inspection of Boys' Brigade by Lieut. S. M. Thomson, 2nd V.B.S.R.

June 3—First meeting of Magistrates as Dean of Guild Court.

June 18.—Formation of branch of operative tailors.

July 26.—Water provisional order received Royal assent.

Aug. 28.—Sixteen tenants of shops in Brandon and Merry Streets received notice from the Caledonian Railway Company to clear out of their premises to make room for the erection of new goods shed.

Sept. 30.—School Board abolished fees in all the standards.—Formation of Charity Organization Society.

Oct. 5.—Valuation of the Burgh at date, £45,807 11s, inclusive of railways, churches, and schools.

Oct. 7.—Plans passed for erection of silk factory in Airbles Street, by Messrs Anderson and Robertson, Govan.

Oct. 16.—Following the example of other scholars in the country,

the school children in the town "struck," but "returned to work" the following day.

Nov. 1.—Fire at Motherwell Colliery. Framework of No. 4 Pit burned—narrow escape of the men. Eleven ponies rescued after four days' fast in the pit.

Nov. 12.—Strike among female char-pickers—"blacknebs" attacked and violently assaulted by strikers.

Nov. 28.—Chief-Inspector Reid, aged 55 years, of the Caledonian Railway, killed on the main line while on his way to the locomotive sheds.

Dec. 17.—Formation of a branch of the Scotch Girls' Friendly Society.

1890.

Jan. 18.—Marriage of Hon. Ellinor Hamilton to Mr Charles W. Trotter—Rejoicings at Dalzell.

Jan. 18.—First sod of Lanarkshire Steel Works cut by Mr John Strain, C.E., Glasgow.

Feb. 4.—First election of County Council—Mr John Colville returned for South Motherwell, Mr T. S. Paterson for North Motherwell, and Lord Hamilton for Dalziel parish.

Feb. 11.—Commissioners complained of damage done to water and sewage pipes by underground workings.

Feb. 24.—Meeting of Motherwell and Hamilton merchants—agree to hold their monthly holidays on the same date.

Feb. 27.—First ball of Tennis Club.

Mar. 6—Mr R. Jack appointed to represent the Parochial Board at the County Council.

Mar. 15.—Ministers petition employers of labour on the question of Sunday work.

April 16.—Dalziel Co-operative Bakery Burned—£2000 damages.

April 17—Formation of Boltmakers' Union.

April 21.—Fire at Dalzell Home Farm—£500 damages.

April 28.—Branch of Scottish National Society for Prohibition of Cruelty to Children formed.

May 8.—Fire in Dalziel Colliery—two managers suffocated (Mr John Drinnan and Mr Robert Weir), and narrow escape of Mr Wm. M'Lurg), foreman.

May 12.—Burgh boundaries extended.

May 21.—Public meeting protested against proposal to compensate publicans on loss of their license.

May 26.—Formation of Branch of Labourers' Union.

June 14.—James Graham, miner, Watsonville, saved a man from drowning at Ayr, and received the Humane Society's bronze medal.

July 12.—Party disturbances—discharge of fire-arms—one man arrested and sent fourteen days to prison.

Aug. 4.—Plans of new premises for the British Linen Co.'s Bank in Muir Street passed by the Dean of Guild Court.

Aug. 9.—Golden Wedding of Mr and Mrs George Hotchkiss.

Sept. 1.—Bailie Cuthill assumed the management of Weir Steel Works—several complimentary meetings and presentations prior to his departure.

Sept. 5.—Mr A. M'Donald, B.Sc., appointed master of Merry Street new school.

Sept. 25.—U.P. Church Bazaar opened—£1200 realised in three days.

Nov. 14—Opening of Merry Street School.

Nov. 17—Inquiry by the Church of Scotland's Special Commission into the Religious Condition of the people—meeting in Dalziel Church.

Dec. 26.—Six weeks' strike of railway men commenced.

1891.

Jan. 2.—Sheriff Officers deforced in attempting to eject some railway strikers from their houses in Hope Street.

Jan. 5.—Ejectment of railway servants at the Blocks and rioting in the town—much damage done to property—military called out.

Jan 11.—Mr Adam Paterson, member of Parochial and School Boards, died, aged 64.

Jan. 14.—Scottish Boundary Commissioners refuse to make the Clyde the boundary of Hamilton and Dalziel parishes.

Jan. 26.—Golden wedding of Mr and Mrs Benjamin Gilmour, Merry Street.

Feb. 10.—New class room in Hamilton Street School opened.

Feb. 16.—Opening of new goods shed, C.R.

Feb. 24.—Public meeting agreed to petition Parliament in favour of the extension of the N.B. Railway to Motherwell.

Mar. 21.—Lanarkshire Steel Works formally opened.

Mar. 29.—Dalzell Steel Work office broken into, and £445 carried away.

May 2.—South Calder poisoned by ammonia - all fish in it destroyed.

June 1.—Plans passed at Dean of Guild Court for Conservative Club new building.

June 28.—Farewell sermon of Rev. Joseph Ritson, Methodist Church. Several presentations were also made to Mr Ritson prior to his leaving the town.

July 9.—Provost Goodwin died, aged 49 years.

July 18.—The returns of the Registrar-General showed infantile mortality in Motherwell to be 166·5 per thousand of births, while for the whole country it was 112·5, and 123 in Glasgow. Deaths from accidents were given at ·31 per thousand, as against ·53 for large town districts.

July 26.—Cunningair right-of-way dispute commenced, and, after being prolonged for several months, the representatives of the public withdrew their case from the Court of Session, thus inferring

the right of possession of Lord Hamilton to the road leading from the Old Manse Road to the Clyde, on Dalzell estate.

Aug. 1.—Infectious Diseases (Notification) Act came into force in the burgh, it having been adopted by the Commissioners.

Aug. 6.—A workman named Wm. Wood fell into a ladle of molten steel in Dalziel Works. A few charred remains were recovered.

Aug. 17.—Formation of Dalziel Bowling Club.

Aug. 31.—Melville Bridge over Caledonian Railway erected.

Sept. 6.—Plans passed at Dean of Guild Court for new Free Church at Windmillhill.

Oct. 6.—Commissioners agreed to the formation of a skating pond in the Public Park.——Also appointed a committee to consider the question of taking over the gas works.

Oct. 22.—Ordination of Rev. W. Hood to Craigneuk Free Church.

Oct. 24.—Valuation of the burgh, £66,481.

Nov. 12.—Inauguration of gasometer (104 feet diameter) at the gas works.

1892.

Jan. 5.—Fire at Ravenscraig Colliery, Netherjohnstone Pit—£300 damage.

Jan. 9.—James M'Levy, better known as The Tandem Donkey Driver, died, aged 61.

Jan. 18.—Mary Stark, a young woman, drowned in the Clyde at Camp Bridge. She had been engaged gathering wood on the banks of the river, and had ventured on to the ice.

Jan. 23.—County Council and Motherwell Commissioners in the Court of Session with a friendly action as to the policeing of Motherwell. The Court of Session held that there was no dispute between the parties, and declined to give an opinion.

Jan. 26.—Provost Colville entertained the Commissioners and burgh officials to dinner in Motherwell House.——Memorial stone of Clason Memorial Free Church laid by Mr James H. Clason.

Jan. 29.—Ex-Bailie Millar died, aged 58 years.

Feb. 25.—First re-union of Dumfriesshire natives in Motherwell, Rev. David Scott presiding.

Mar. 4.—Two engineers killed on the railway near Camp Bridge, while on their way to work in the morning.

April 28.—Mr Benjamin Gilmour, sen., died, aged 71 years.

May 25.—Fire at Messrs Goodwin's works—number of steel-workers said to have interfered with the firemen by standing on the hose. Amount of damage, £400.

June 7.—Commissioners agree to causeway the streets.——Committee previously appointed could not recommend the taking over of the gas works, but were continued to watch the development of the electric light with a view to having it introduced into the town.——Commissioners agreed to take over the police.

July 4.—Extraordinary Church Defence meeting, at which the

dissenting ministers of the town appeared, and moved an amendment against a continuance of State connection. The chairman declared the motion carried, and amid great excitement the Dissenting ministers left the meeting, protesting that the amendment had been carried by a large majority.

JULY 8.—Mr Donald Crawford returned as M.P. for North-East Lanark by 5281 against 5184 for Mr Alex. Whitelaw.

AUG. 6.—Memorial stone of Craigneuk Established Church laid by Lord Hamilton of Dalzell.

AUG. 17.—Railway servants formed a Shorthand Association.

SEPT. 17.—Valuation of the parish, exclusive of churches and schools, £74,284 10s.

SEPT 20.—Removal of certain pigsties ordered by Sheriff.

SEPT 24.—Announcement of Lord Hamilton's appointment as Lord-in-Waiting to the Queen.

SEPT. 25.—Adam Barr, while feeding ponies in Broomside Pit on Sunday, was seized with apoplexy, and lay in an unconscious state underground till he was discovered ten hours afterwards. He died the following day.

OCT. 7.—Opening of Craigneuk Free Church Bazaar—£200 realised in two days.

NOV. 1.—Four members returned to the Commission Board without a contest.

NOV. 2.—The Parochial Board discuss the advisability of disposing of the present Poorhouse and erecting another.

NOV. 7.—Collapse of Choral Union.

NOV. 14.—Commissioners agreed to call a public meeting of ratepayers before finally settling the question of taking over the police.

NOV. 17.—Clason Memorial Free Church opened by Rev. Dr. Stalker, Glasgow.

NOV. 20.—Mr Charles Rose, builder, died, aged 49 years.

DEC. 7.—Mr Alex. Whitelaw entertained to supper and presented with an address in recognition of his services at the last parliamentary election.

DEC. 6.—County Council election ; three members returned for Motherwell, one for the parish, and one from the Parochial Board.

DEC. 15.—Induction of Rev. James Dewar, Aberdeen, to Clason Memorial Free Church.

DEC. 27.—Conservative Club opened by Mr Alex. Whitelaw of Gartshore.

1893.

JAN. 2.—Golden wedding of Mr and Mrs Fraser, Airbles Street.

FEB. 7.—Mr Alex. Cullen instructed to prepare plans for the extension of the Fever Hospital.

MARCH 16.—Conference of Hamilton and Motherwell magistrates on the question of mineral damages ; nothing definite arrived at.

MARCH 27.—Public meeting petitioned in favour of Liquor Traffic (Local Control) Bill.

March 28.—Jubilee of Dalziel Free Church.

April 6.—Opening of Baptist Church bazaar; £663 realised in three days.

April 13.—Diamond wedding of Mr and Mrs Robert M'Millan, Leslie Street.

April 22.—Irish party disturbances on the road between Motherwell and Bellshill; £30 worth of musical instruments destroyed; three men arrested and punished.

May 19.—Mr Andrew Reid, retired merchant, and a member of the first Commission Board, died, aged 83 years.

June 6.—Appointment of five magistrates under the new Police Act.

June 11.—Rev. Gerald O'Connell died.

July 10.—Plans passed at the Dean of Guild Court for new premises in Dalziel and Scott Streets for Dalziel Co-operative Society.

July 26.—Select Committee of the House of Commons consider the question of mineral damages at Motherwell and Hamilton.

Aug. 1.—Golden wedding of Mr and Mrs George Beveridge.

Aug. 8.—Coming of age of the Hon. Gavin Hamilton; rejoicings at Dalzell.

Sept. 9.—Formation of "Water Lily" Lodge of Free Gardeners, No. 71.

Oct. 9.—Mr William Hamilton, farmer, died.

Oct. 11.—Formation of "Lord Hamilton" Lodge of Oddfellows.

Oct. 17.—First licensing court held in the burgh.

Nov. 25.—Mr Wm. Waugh, colliery manager, died aged 67 years.

Dec. 8.—Golden Wedding of Mr and Mrs Robert Rankin, late of Motherwell, then of Glasgow.

Dec. 21.—Mr John D. Fairley, burgh prosecutor, died, aged 49 years.

1894.

Jan. 6.—Mr John M'Geachin, Castle Douglas, appointed agent of Clydesdale Bank.

Jan. 13.—Mr John Welsh, watchmaker, died, aged 53 years.

Jan. 17.—Accident to Hon. Leslie Hamilton, while hunting near Harrow.

Feb. 6.—Mr A. L. Wright appointed burgh prosecutor.

March 6.—Commissioners presented Provost Colville with a silver cradle on the occasion of the birth of a son.

March 12.—Opening of new junior department in Milton Street School, which had been acquired by the School Board—Rev. David Scott, Chairman of the Board, presiding.

April 5.—Holy Trinity Church bazaar; £325 realised in three days.

April 10.—Mr James Martin, druggist, died, aged 51 years.

April 20.—First re-union of natives of Perth, Angus, and Mearns—Mr A. Whamond presiding.

May 31.—Opening of the new Post Office by Bailie Grieve.

June 26.—Great strike of miners commenced.

July 2.—Plans of New Episcopal Church passed by Dean of Guild Court.

July 5.—Mrs Mary Christie, Glasgow, appointed matron of the Fever Hospital.

July 30.—Silk Work re-opened after being closed several months.

Aug. 1.—Handbook and Directory of Motherwell published by Mr Naismith of the *Hamilton Advertiser*, being the first complete history of Dalziel Parish and Motherwell Town.

Aug. 18.—Report issued by Select Committee of House of Commons on injury to Buildings by Mineral Workings, recommending legislative interference to remedy the feuars' grievances.

Sept. 18.—Riot at the Logans in connection with Miners' Strike.

Sept. 19.—Military called out (80 Lancers from Edinburgh) as a precautionary measure.

Sept. 28.—Meeting of Ratepayers to consider proposal to unite Hamilton Parish North of Clyde to Dalziel Parish.

Sept. 29.—Foundation Stone laid with Masonic Honours of Holy Trinity (Episcopal) Church, Avon Street.

Oct. 1.—End of Miners' Strike. Commenced 26th June.

Nov. 13.—Commissioners resolve to apply for Provisional Order to introduce Electric Light to the Burgh.

Dec. 15.—Golf Course opened.

1895.

Jan. 1.—Gas Meter hires abolished by Gas Company.

Jan. 15.—Marriage of Hon. Alice Hamilton of Dalzell to Hon. John Campbell, eldest son of Lord Stratheden and Campbell.

Jan. 21.—William Dickson, stationmaster, promoted to Superintendent, Glasgow Central Station.

Jan. 26.—Enquiry in Town Hall by Commissioner appointed by Secretary for Scotland into petitions for annexation of portions of Hamilton and Bothwell Parishes to Dalziel Parish.

Jan. 28.—Inspector Moir appointed Chief of Police in room of Inspector Redpath transferred.

Feb. 7.—Last Half-Yearly Statutory Meeting of Dalziel Parochial Board held.

Feb. 19.—Fire at Motherwell Railway Station.

March 6.—Motherwell Works of Goodwins, Jardine & Co., Limited, in Liquidation, purchased for £13,000 by Mr D. H. Macdonald, C.E., and Mr William Smith, cashier.

April 1.—Goodwin's Works formed into Company to be called the Brandon Bridge Building Co., Ltd.

April 2.—First Election of Parish Councillors in place of Parochial Board.

May 3.—Annexation granted to Dalziel Parish of Hamilton Parish North of River Clyde and portion of Bothwell Parish to Jerviston House entrance lodge.

May 20.—Motherwell Electric Light Provisional Order Bill passed by House of Commons.

May 25.—Memorial Stone laid of Baptist Church, Windmillhill Street.

June 27.—Donald Crawford, M.P. for North East Lanarkshire appointed Sheriff of Aberdeen, Kincardine, and Banff.

July 1.—Provost John Colville adopted Liberal Candidate for North-East Lanarkshire.

July 23.—John Colville elected M.P. for North-East Lanarkshire by 6288 votes against 5751 for Alexander Whitelaw.

Aug. 6.—James Millar appointed Burgh Treasurer in succession to W. R. Barbour, resigned.

Sept. 7.—William Buchanan, spirit merchant, stabbed to death near his house, Melville Drive.

Nov. 5.—William M'Queen, who murdered Mr Buchanan, at Glasgow Justiciary Court, declared insane and to be detained during Her Majesty's pleasure.

Dec. 20.—Dr. A. T. Moffat died.

Dec. 24.—Ex-Provost Russell presented with his portrait in oil on the occasion of his jubilee as an elder.

1896.

Jan. 28.—Rev. Thomas Marshall, M.A., Newmilns, accepts call as colleague and successor to Rev. David Ogilvy, M.A., Dalziel Free Church.

Feb. 29.—Hugh Ross, sanitary inspector, died.

March 3.—James Reid, assistant sanitary inspector, Govan, appointed sanitary inspector.

March 14.—John Marshall, grocer, Muir Street, died.

March 17.—William Fordyce, headmaster, Hamilton Street School, appointed head master Dalziel Public School.

March 17.—D. T. MacMillan, assistant, Dalziel School, appointed headmaster, Hamilton Street School.

March 19.—Induction of Rev. Thomas Marshall, M.A., as colleague and successor to Rev. David Ogilvy, M.A., Dalziel Free Church.

April 7.—Ex-Provost Russell, J.P., gifts to the town the life-sized painting in oil of himself.

May 1.—Alexander Whamond died.

May 15.—Hamilton Street Public School transferred to Dal School Board.

July 6.—Plans of new Technical and Secondary School passed Dean of Guild Court—estimated cost, £14,000.

Aug. 21.—Fire at Camp Colliery pithead.

Sept. 7.—Plans passed Dean of Guild Court for extension and alterations of Dalziel Parish Church—estimated cost, £5000.

Sept, 18.—Site adjoining Dalziel Public School accepted for proposed Young Men's Institute.

SEPT. 18.—Dalziel Parish valuation, £128,159.
SEPT. 22.—Motherwell "Model" Building Society resolved to be wound up.
SEPT. 22.—Public indignation meeting against Armenian atrocities.
NOV. 28.—Opening of new school at Craigneuk.
DEC 31.—Good trade in Motherwell for past year.
DEC. 31.—New Roman Catholic School opened in Scott Street.

1897.

JAN. 18.—Alexander King, Windmillhill House, died.
JAN. 18—Rev. W. S. Todd, E.U. Church, received call to City Road Congregational Church, Glasgow.
FEB. 22.—Presentation of illuminated address to Ex-Provost Russell, Crosshill House.
FEB. 24.—Rev. David Ogilvy received the degree of Doctor of Divinity from Aberdeen University.
FEB. 26.—Dr. Alex. H. Edwards appointed senior medical resident to Greenock Infirmary.
MARCH 16.—Petition presented to Sheriff to increase number of Burgh Commissioners from 12 to 15.
MARCH 27.—Election of School Board without contest.
MARCH 29.—Presentation of illuminated address to Rev. David Ogilvy, D.D., by the Burgh Commissioners, Dalziel School Board, and Dalziel Parish Council.
MAY 7.—Rev. John Carson of Melbourne receives call to Baptist Church as successor to Rev. John Connor.
MAY 23.—Induction of Mr Carson.
MAY 10.—Rev. John Macintosh of Darvel receives call to E.U. Church.
MAY 14.—South Dalziel Parish Church re-opened after being enlarged and renovated.
MAY 30.—Thomas Watson, Ex-Provost, died.
JUNE 22.—General holiday in honour of Queen's Diamond Jubilee.
JULY 10.—Alexander Kemp, painter, died.
OCT. 7.—Plans passed by Dean of Guild Court for Model Lodging House—estimated cost, £6,500.
NOV. 19.—Mrs David Colville died.
NOV. 24.—Fire at James Smith & Co.'s Bolt Works.
DEC. 6.—Three days' bazaar opened in aid of Dalziel Parish Church Building fund.
DEC. 31.—Trade good throughout year.

1898.

JAN. 5.—Rev. James Glancy, D.D., died.
JAN. 11.—Alex. Findlay, sen., died.

Feb. 4.—Rev. Joseph Burns, Clydebank, elected minister of Baptist Church.—Inducted 3rd April.

Feb. 15.—High Motherwell Farm Steading purchased by the Commissioners for £1400 and adjacent ground feued at 3s per pole.

March 5.—Motherwell Bridge Company, Ltd., registered.

March 5.—Robert Steel, miners' leader, died.

March 5.—Professor Alex. B. W. Kennedy, London, appointed electrical engineer for the Burgh Electric Lighting Scheme.

April 18.—David Greig, L.A.B.Sc., of Hillhead Public School, appointed rector of Dalziel High School.

May 16.—Presentation to Rev. Father Taylor of pony and trap and illuminated address.

May 17.—Fire at North Motherwell Colliery (No. 3 Pit).

June 17.—Plans selected for proposed Young Men's Institute, Alexander Cullen, architect, successful competitor.

June 27.—Kenneth Cameron, proprietor and editor of *Motherwell Times* died.

Sept. 5.—Plans of Young Mens' Institute passed Dean of Guild Court.

Sept. 6.—Dalziel High School formally opened by R. B. Haldane, Q.C., M.P.

Sept. 25.—St. Patrick's Chapel (R.C.), Shieldmuir, opened.

Sept. 26.—Sir John Watson, Bart., of Earnock, died.

Sept. 28.—T. A. Robertson, solicitor, died suddenly.

Sept. 29.—Marriage of Lady Flora Douglas Hamilton to Major Robert Montague Poore.

Oct. 29.—David Colville, sen., died.

Nov. 1.—Robert Jack, banker, retired from factorship of Dalzell Estate, and George Fraser enters on duty as factor.

Nov. 25.—Rev. John Taylor (R.C.) receives the honour of Dean.

Nov. 30.—Rev. Nelson MacDonald of Campsie (son of Hector MacDonald, Motherwell) elected to the Caledonian Church, Holloway Road, London.

Dec. 5.—Plans for New Police Building passed Dean of Guild Court—estimated cost, £7000.

Dec. 31.—Trade in Motherwell good all year.

1899.

Jan. 16.—Plans for Roman Catholic Chapel, Coursington Street, passed Dean of Guild Court—estimated cost, £10,000.

Jan. 19.—Public meeting in favour of proposed new railway (Glasgow, Motherwell and Sanquhar Railway Bill).

Feb. 21—New railway scheme abandoned by promoters.

Mar. 1.—Strike of Motherwell joiners for an advance of wages from 8½d to 9d per hour.

Mar. 9.—Strike ended by masters granting the advance.

Mar. 30.—Rev. Thomas G. Loudon (son of Mr R. L. Loudon, baker) accepts call to E.U. Congregational Church, Muirkirk.

Apr. 14.—Public meeting held to protest against more licenses being granted for Motherwell. Result of plebiscite : against licenses, 7051 ; for, 771 ; neutral, 126.

Apr. 26.—Indignation meeting held to protest against three new licenses having been granted for Motherwell.

May 1.—Confirmation Court confirmed one license only.

May 8.—George Fergusson appointed Superintendent of Burgh Cleansing Department.

June 5.—Plans presented to Dean of Guild Court for addition to Clason Memorial Free Church showing proposal to increase sittings from 410 to 882.

June 17.—Memorial Stone of Young Men's Institute laid by ex-Provost Russell.

June 24.—Farewell Meetings and presentation to Rev. A. J. Campbell by the Primitive Methodist Congregations at Motherwell and Mossend on the occasion of his leaving Motherwell.

July 1.—Third class railway fares between Glasgow and Motherwell reduced to 8½d single and 1s 5d return, from 9d single and 1s 6d return. Inhabitants indignant at paltry reductions.

July 15.—Tragic occurrence on Hamilton Road. Two betting men quarrel, and one of the combatants, Bernard O'Neill, Millar Street, Motherwell, falls down dead.

July 17.—Ground broken at North Motherwell for new engineering work to be erected by Messrs Morton & Speedie, Glasgow.

Aug. 1.—Marriage in London of Hon. Mabel Hamilton to Capt. Haywood Lonsdale of Shavington. Town flag hoisted for the first time officially in honour of the event.

Aug. 7.—Reception given in Primitive Methodist Church, Milton Street, to Rev. R. Clemitson, successor to Rev. A. J. Campbell.

Aug. 8.—Garden party given in Dalzell Grounds by Lord Hamilton of Dalzell in honour of his daughter's marriage. Over 1000 guests invited.

Aug. 30.—Barnum & Bailey's "Greatest Show on Earth" visited the town. Thousands of visitors arrived in town to see the show and procession.

Sept. 9.—Memorial stone of new Roman Catholic Chapel in Coursington Street laid.

Sept. 21.—Light Railway Commissioners concluded two days' enquiry into proposed Light Railway between Blantyre, Hamilton, Motherwell, and Wishaw, and rejected scheme on opposition of Caledonian Railway Company.

Sept. 22.—James Currie, County Sanitary Inspector, Bellshill, appointed Sanitary Inspector for Motherwell, in room of James Reid, appointed to Partick Burgh.

Oct. 14.—Three days' Bazaar in Town Hall in aid of Young Men's Institute concluded.

A COMPLETE LIST OF MOTHERWELL'S CIVIC RULERS.

PROVOSTS OR CHIEF MAGISTRATES.

	Appointed
James Russell, boilermaker,	1865
William King, grocer,	1868
William Waddell, mason,	1877
Thomas Watson, colliery manager,	1880
Thomas Morton, manager,	1883
Samuel Thomson, M.D.,	1885
Matthew Dean Goodwin, iron founder,	1886
John Colville, iron and steel manufacturer,	1888
John Grieve, engineer,	1895
Alexander Fraser, grocer,	1898

BAILIES.

William King, grocer,	1865
George Anderson, engineer,	1865
Samuel Thomson, M.D.,	1868
James Davidson, grocer,	1872
James King, builder,	1873
John Brown, chemist,	1873
Thomas Morton, manager,	1874
William Waddell, mason,	1876
Thomas Watson, colliery manager,	1877
John Lawson, grocer,	1877
Archibald Millar, wood merchant,	1880
Alexander Fraser, grocer,	1883-91
John Marshall, grocer,	1885
Archibald R. Smith, boltmaker,	1886
John Grieve, engineer,	1886
William Cuthill, manager,	1887
Alexander Pillans, boltmaker,	1889
Alexander Findlay, bridge-builder,	1893
William Purdie, store manager,	1893
Andrew Wilson, steel works foreman,	1895
Archibald King, quarry master,	1897
Daniel Jack, manager,	1898

COMMISSIONERS.

James Russell, boilermaker,	1865
William King, grocer,	1865 68-71-74
George Anderson, engineer,	1865-68-71
Robert Cassells, iron manufacturer,	1865-67-70
James Davidson, grocer,	1865-67-70

Samuel Thomson, M.D., ... 1865-67-70-75-85
James Dick, Windmillhill, ... 1865
Andrew Reid, grocer, ... 1865
Thomas Morton, manager, ... 1865-66-69-73-78-81
David Girdwood, baker, ... 1866
Thomas King, builder, ... 1866-69
James King, builder, ... 1868-71
William Waddell, mason, ... 1869-73-76
John Brown, chemist, ... 1872-75
John Tennant Barrie, M.D., ... 1872
Thomas Watson, colliery manager, ... 1872-75-78
Alexander Fraser, grocer, ... 1873-76-79-82-90-92 95-98
Matthew Dean Goodwin, iron founder, ... 1873-78-86-88
John Miller, baker, ... 1874-77
John Lawson, grocer, ... 1874-77-80
William Chambers, wood merchant, ... 1876
Archibald Millar, wood merchant, ... 1877-80-83-88-89-91
John Colville, iron manufacturer, ... 1879-82 88-91-94
John Marshall, grocer, ... 1879-81-84
Joseph Edwards, grocer, ... 1880-82
Benjamin Gilmour, sen., ... 1881
Alexander Findlay, bridge-builder, ... 1883-88-91-94-97
Archibald King, quarrymaster, ... 1883-85-89-92-95-98
William Cuthill, manager, ... 1884-87-88-89
Archibald R. Smith, boltmaker, ... 1884
John Neilson, draper, ... 1885-88
James Smith, boltmaker, ... 1885-87
John Grieve, engineer, ... 1886-88-90-93
William Hamilton, farmer, ... 1886
Alexander King, Windmillhill, ... 1886
William Matthews, insurance agent, ... 1887-88
Alexander Pillans, boltmaker, ... 1888-90
Daniel Jack, manager, ... 1888-89-92-95-98
Andrew Wilson, steel works foreman, ... 1888-91-94-96
Benjamin Gilmour, jun., grocer, ... 1888-92
David Cameron, grocer, ... 1888-90-93
William Purdie, store manager, ... 1889-92-95-97
Robert Park, builder, ... 1890-93-96
Henry Dyer, miner, ... 1893-96
James Dunlop, engineer, ... 1894-97
John T. Brassington, roller, ... 1895-97-98
Timothy Cusick, restaurateur, ... 1896
William L. Dyer, architect, ... 1897
Robert Lang, brassfounder, ... 1897
Andrew Wilson, civil and mining engineer, ... 1897
Alexander Brown, joiner, ... 1898

Population of the Registration District of Dalziel—Census 1891.

	No. of Schedules. Separate Families.	Houses. Inhabited.	Houses. Uninhabited.	Houses. Buildings.	Persons. Males.	Persons. Females.	Persons. Total.
Whole Registration District of Dalziel,..	4594	4165	79	49	12550	10318	22868
Whole of the Civil Parish of Dalziel, ..	3862	3495	71	47	10584	8620	19204
Whole Police Burgh of Motherwell, ..	3801	3415	61	47	10272	8455	18727
Quoad Sacra Parish of South Dalziel, ..	1465	1384	29	33	4047	3329	7376
North Dalziel, ...	2397	2111	42	14	6537	5291	11828
Total in Civil Parish of Dalziel, ..	3862	3495	71	47	10584	8620	19204
Hamilton Parish in Dalziel District, ..	732	670	8	2	1966	1698	3664
Total in Dalziel Regist. District, ..	4594	4165	79	49	12550	10318	22868
Police Burgh of Wishaw in Registration District of Dalziel, ...	542	503	15	2	1540	1245	2785
Police Burgh of Motherwell, as divided into Wards—No. 1 Ward, ...	961	919	14	31	2575	2133	4708
No. 2 Ward, ...	764	689	9	3	2015	1775	3790
No. 3 Ward, ...	991	873	10	8	2662	2246	4908
No. 4 Ward, ...	1085	934	28	5	3020	2301	5321
	3801	3415	61	47	10272	8455	18727
Police Burgh of Motherwell—							
Dalziel Parish, ...	3076	2752	53	45	8318	6758	15076
Hamilton Parish, ...	717	655	8	2	1928	1658	3586
Bothwell Parish, ...	8	8	..	..	26	39	65
	3801	3415	61	47	10272	8455	18727
Landward Part of Parish of Dalziel, ..	244	240	3	..	726	617	1343
,, ,, Hamilton,..	15	15	..	..	38	40	78
	259	255	3	..	764	657	1421
Population of Civil Parish of Dalziel—							
1891, ...	3862	3495	71	47	10584	8620	19204
1881, ...	2786	2520	237	50	7600	6262	13862
Increase in Ten Years, ..	1076	975	166 de	3 de	2984	2358	5342
Population of Burgh of Motherwell—							
1891, ...	3801	3415	61	47	10272	8455	18727
1881, ...	2612	2354	160	50	7059	5856	12915
Increase in Ten Years, ..	1189	1061	99 de	3 de	3213	2599	5812

Children between 5 and 13 (inclusive)—	
In Dalziel Parish, ..	4420
In Hamilton Parish, ..	825
Totals for District, ..	5245

	Population.	Incr. in 10 Yrs.
Population of Dalziel Parish, 1851,	2262	
,, ,, ,, 1861,	5438	3176
,, ,, ,, 1871,	9175	3697
,, ,, ,, 1881,	13862	4687
,, ,, ,, 1891,	19204	5342

Number of Electors in the Burgh of Motherwell:—No. 1 Ward, 1168; No. 2 Ward, 836; No. 3 Ward, 1191; No 4 Ward 909. Total, 4164.

The Police Census taken in Decemher, 1898, showed a Population in the Burgh of 26,463, and the Population now October, 1899), is estimated to be 28,000.

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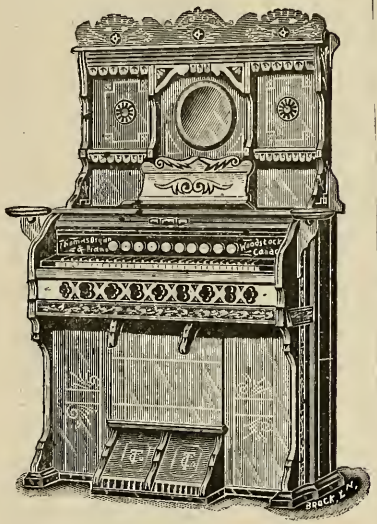
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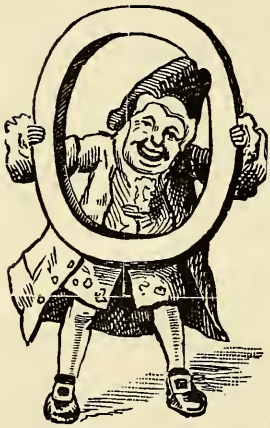
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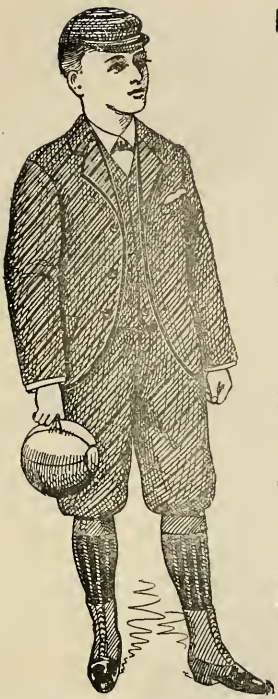
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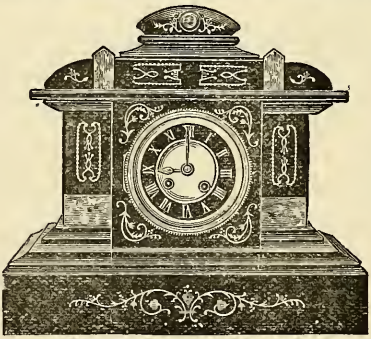


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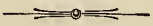
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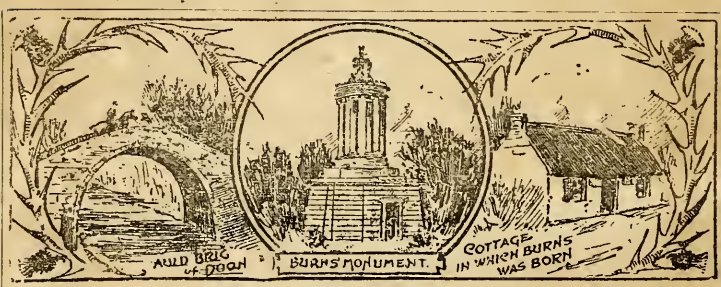
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